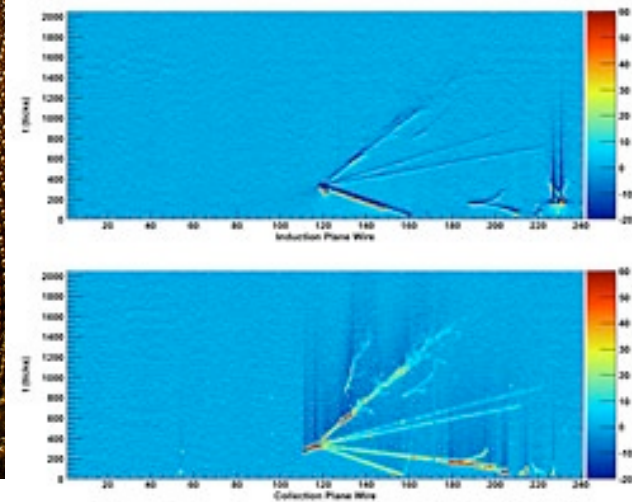
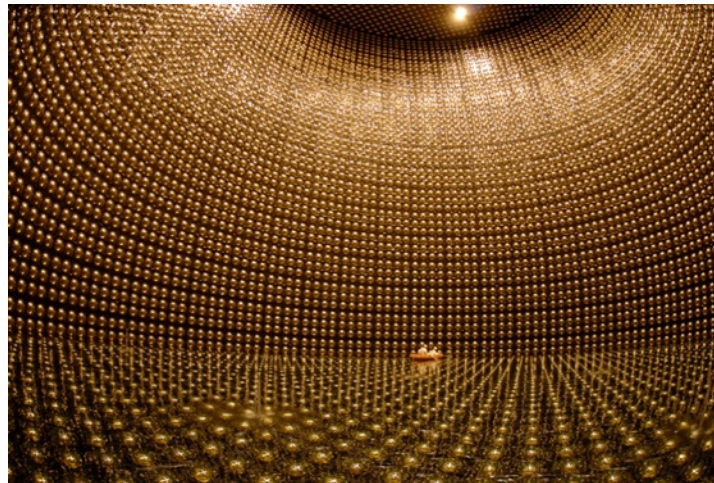
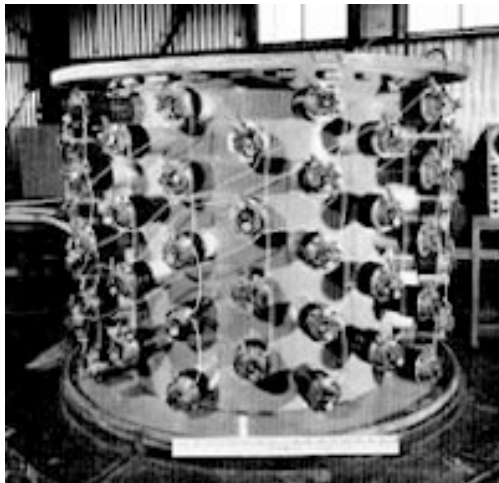


Detectors in Neutrino Physics

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Disclaimer & Acknowledgements

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- Cannot show or explain every neutrino detector. This will be a selection of detectors and their principles.
- Will try to convey principles and important considerations in detector design and neutrino measurements.

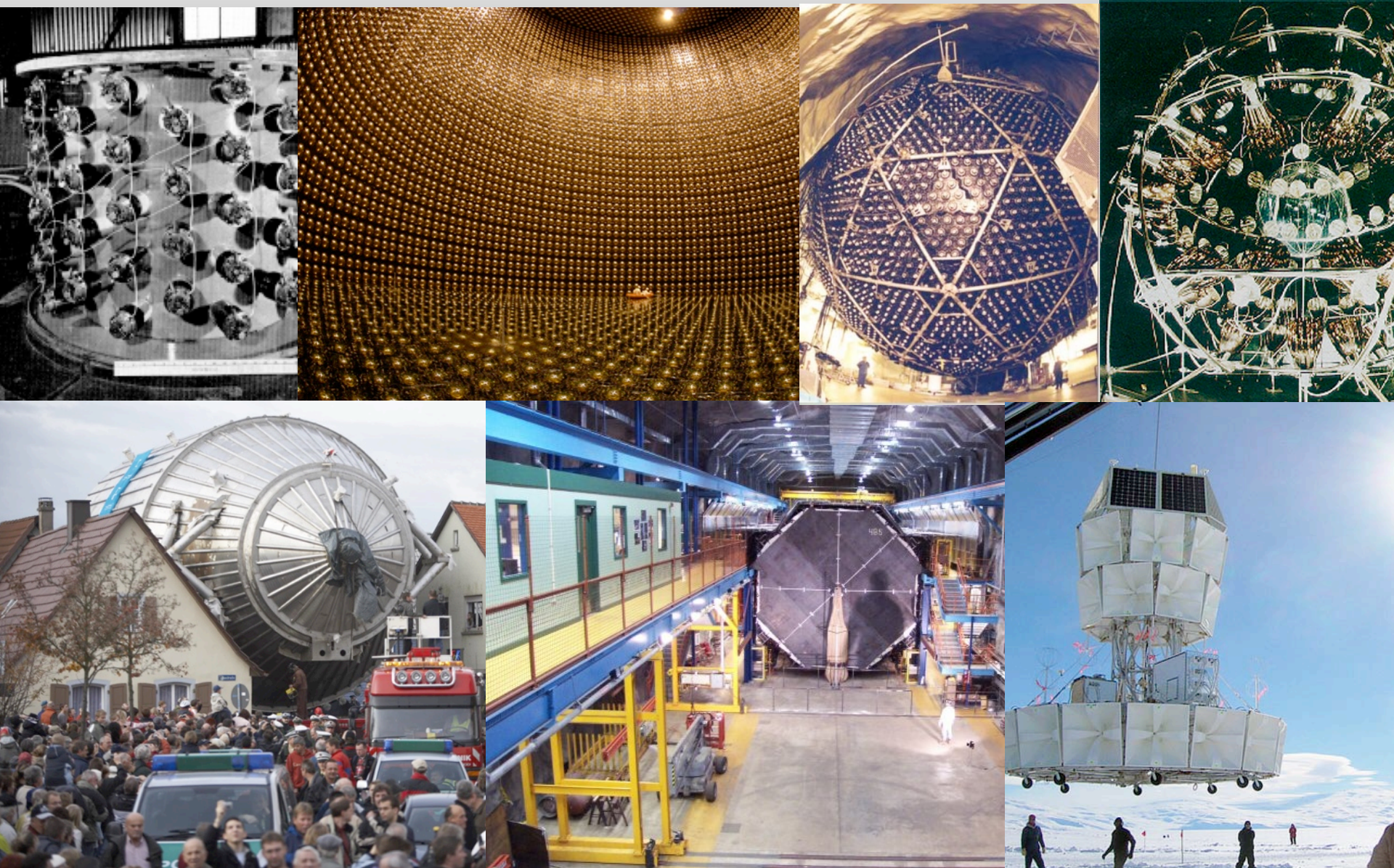
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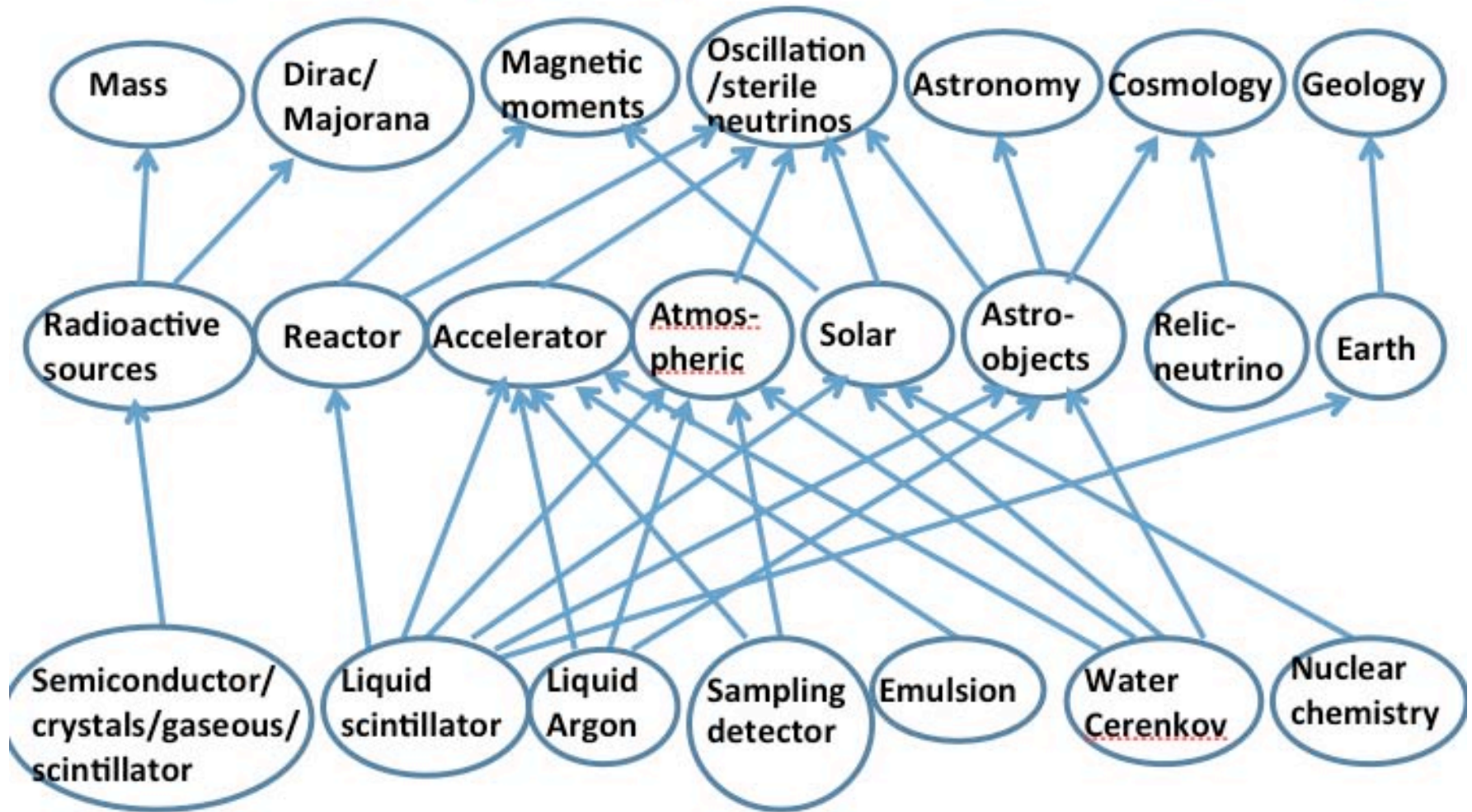
Outline

- world of neutrino detectors
- neutrino sources
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- neutrinos as a probe - probing neutrinos
- experimental challenges
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 - detection channels
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 - present and future

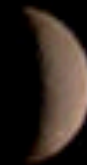
A World of Neutrino Detectors



Neutrino physics : problems and methods



Neutrinos from the Big Bang ~ 330 neutrinos per cm^3



Supernova Neutrinos



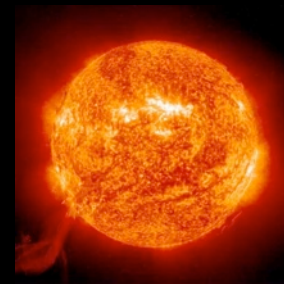
*Atmospheric
Neutrinos*

High Energy Cosmic Neutrinos

Geo Neutrinos

*Accelerator&Reactor
Neutrinos*

Solar Neutrinos



Neutrino Energies

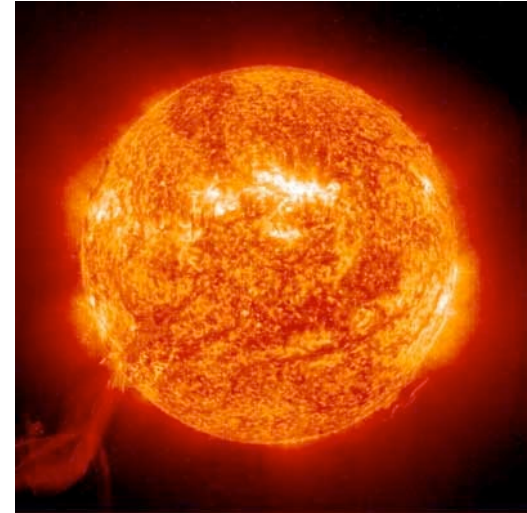
Big-Bang neutrinos ~ 0.0004 eV

Neutrinos from the Sun < 20 MeV
depending of their origin.

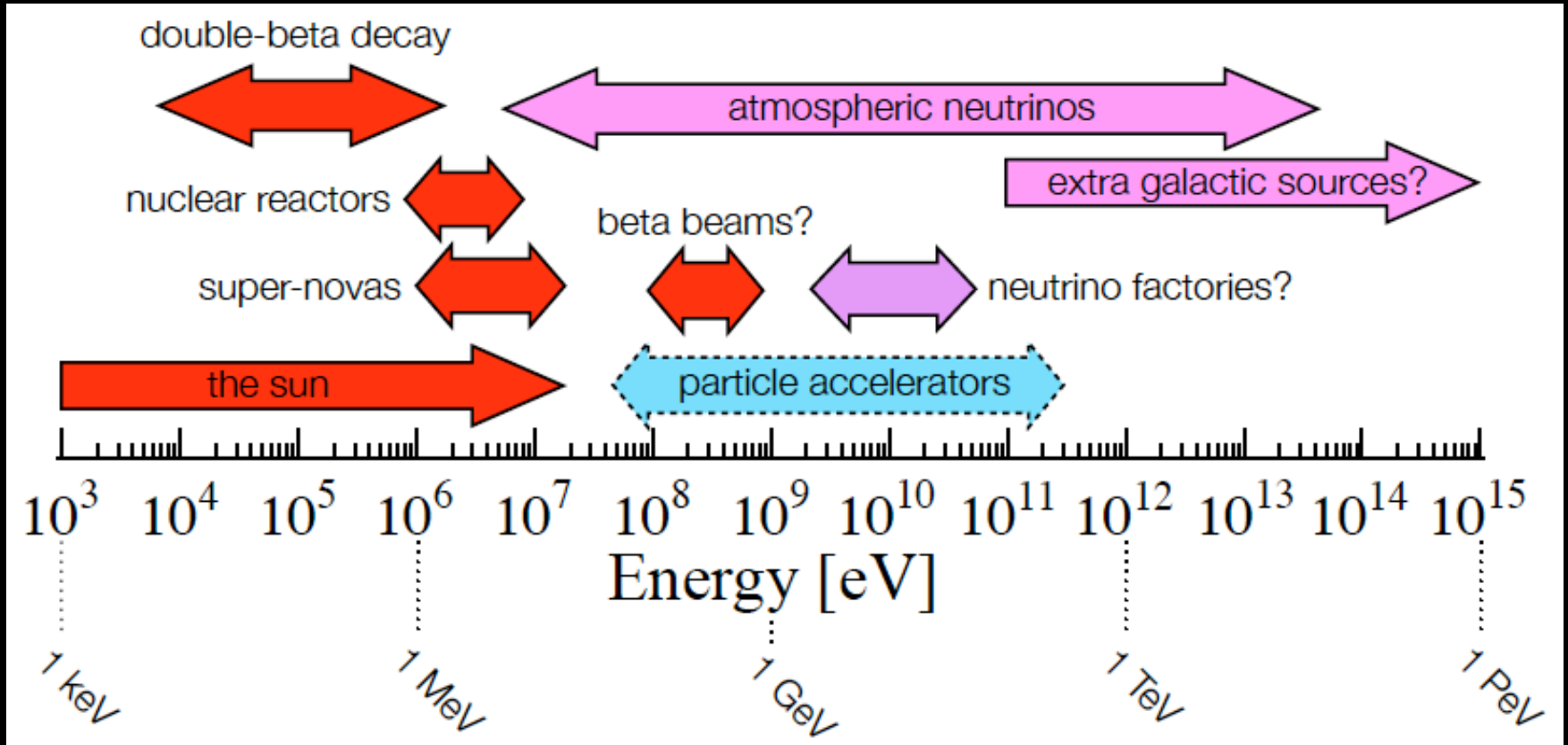
Atmospheric neutrinos \sim GeV

Antineutrinos from nuclear
reactors < 10.0 MeV

Neutrinos from accelerators up to GeV (10^9 eV)



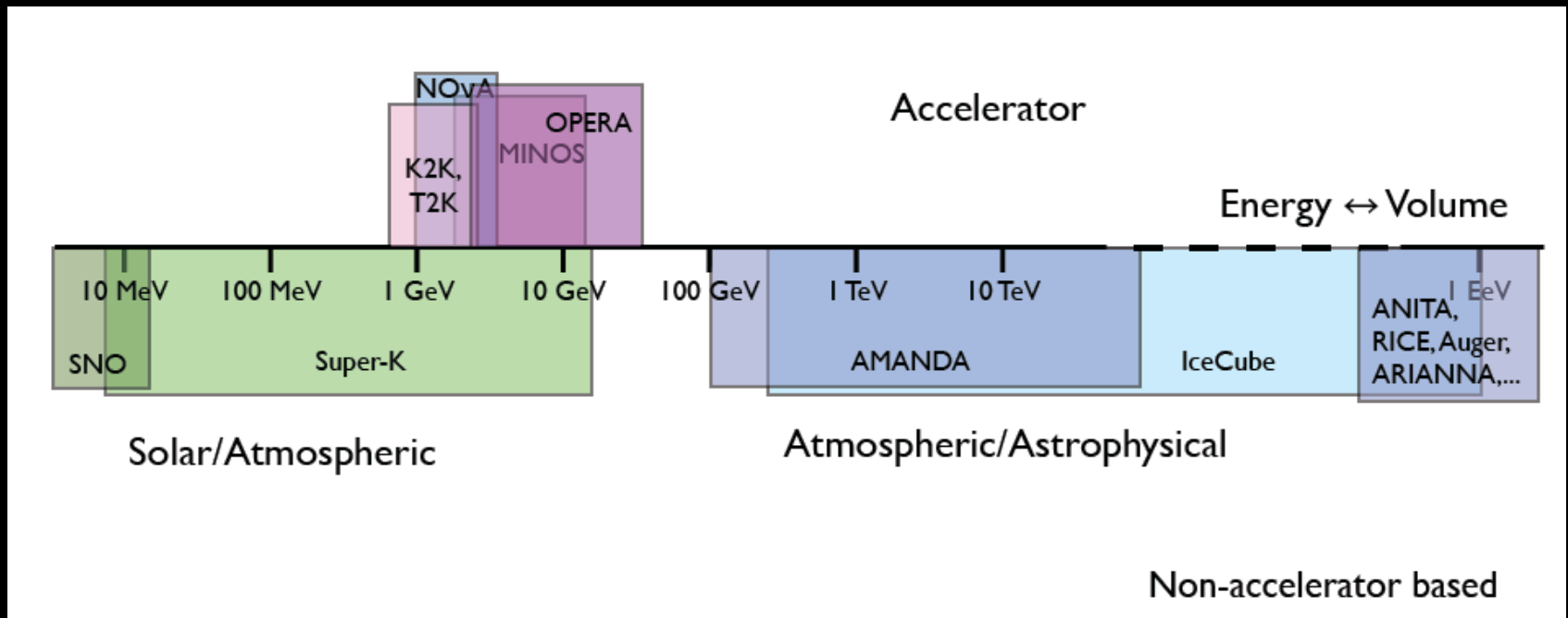
Neutrino Energy Spectrum



M. Messier

***detectors must match
requirements of ν source***

Neutrino Detector Spectrum

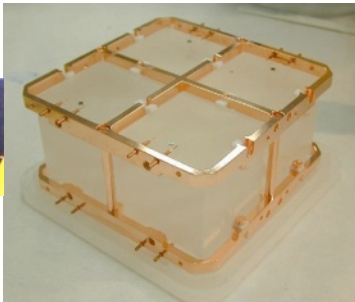


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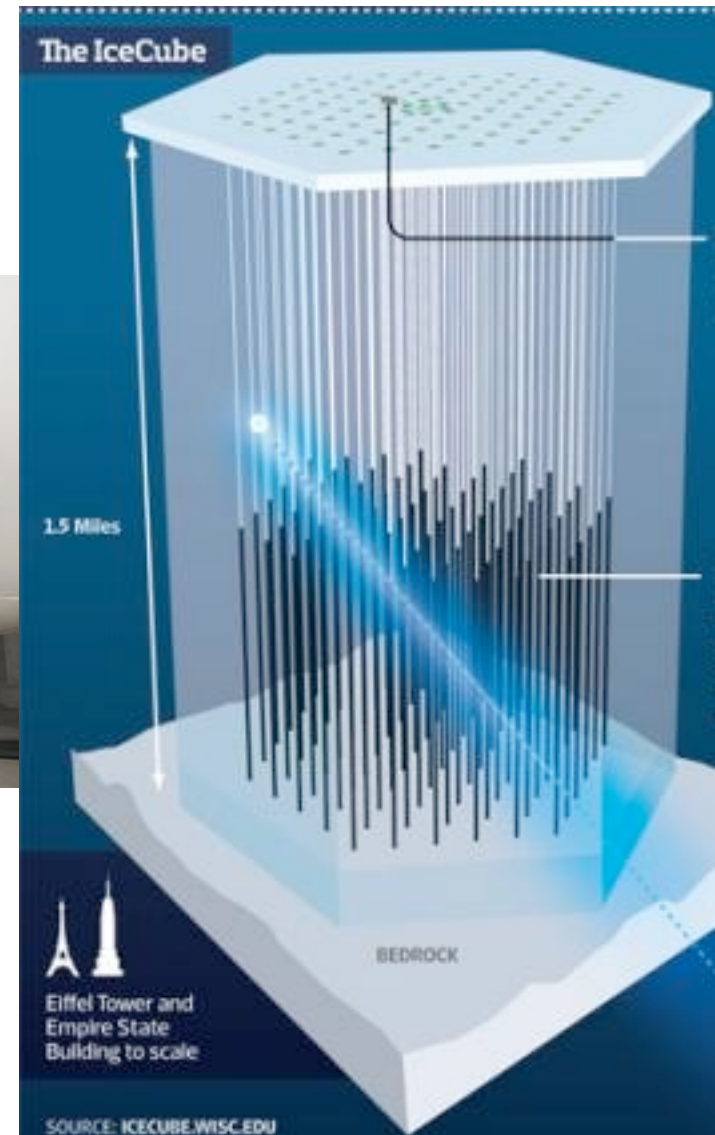
***energy - volume
correspondence***

Neutrino Detector Spectrum

from the very small to the very big



***energy - volume
correspondence***



Historical Perspective: Lessons from the Pioneers

Postulate of the Neutrino

Pauli, 1930

Chadwick, 1914

$N \rightarrow N' + e^-$ some nuclei
emit electrons!

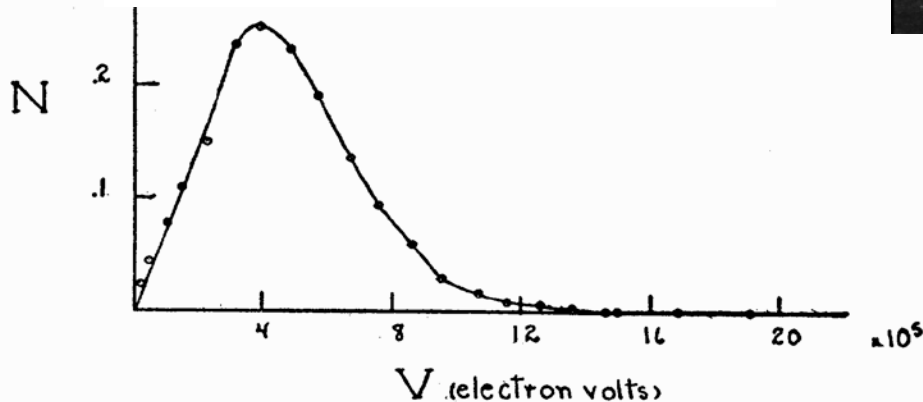
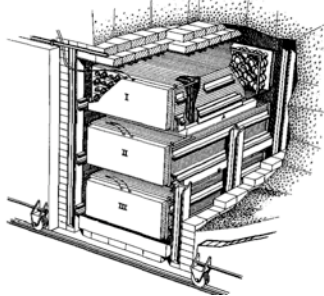


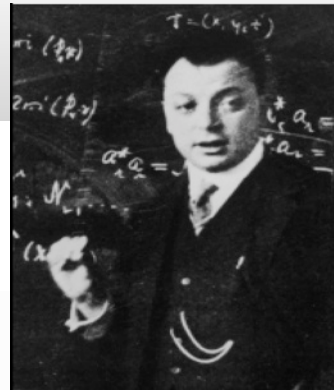
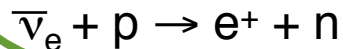
FIG. 5. Energy distribution curve of the beta-rays.

Reines and Cowan, 1956

“Observation of the Free Antineutrino”



inverse beta decay



Gruppe der Radioaktiven bei der
Tübingen.

mit
Hochschule

Zürich, 4. Des. 1930
Kloriastrasse

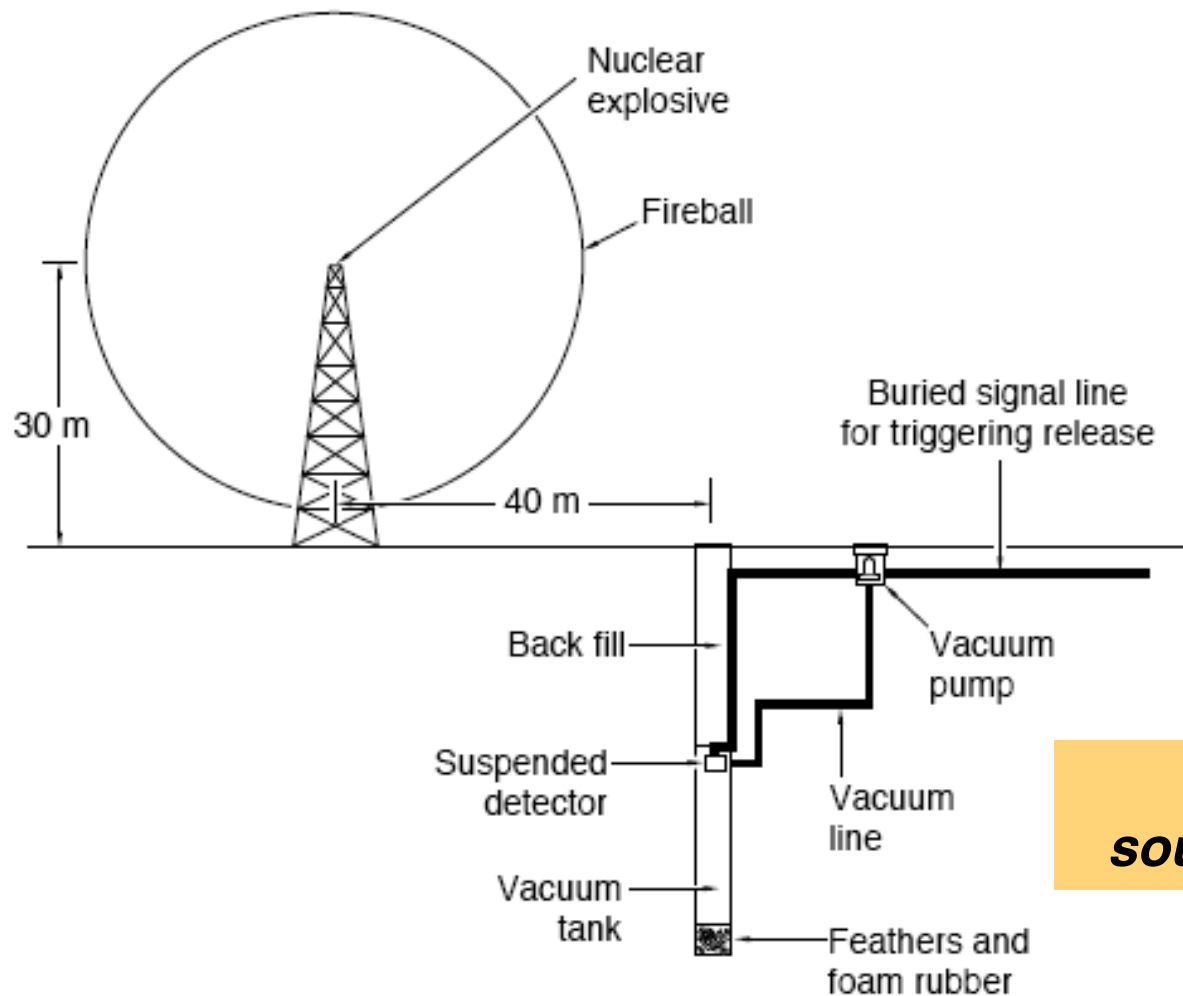
five Damen und Herren,

Wie der Ueberbringer dieser Zeilen, den ich halboffiziell
ansprechen bitte, Ihnen das näheren auseinandersetzen wird, bin ich
angesichts der "falschen" Statistik der N - und $Li-6$ Kerne, sowie
des kontinuierlichen beta-Spektrums auf einen verzweiferten Ausweg
verfallen: um den "Wechselstz" (1) der Statistik und den Energiesatz
zu retten. Nämlich die Möglichkeit, es könnten elektrisch neutrale
Teilchen, die ich Neutronen nennen will, in den Kernen existieren,
welche den Spin $1/2$ haben und das Anschliessungsprinzip befolgen und
sich von Lichtquanten ausserdem noch dadurch unterscheiden, dass sie
nicht mit Lichtgeschwindigkeit laufen. Die Masse der Neutronen
kann von derselben Grössenordnung wie die Elektronenmasse sein und
jedenfalls nicht grösser als 0,01 Protonenmasse. Das kontinuierliche
beta-Spektrum wäre dann verständlich unter der Annahme, dass beim
beta-Zerfall mit dem Elektron jeweils noch ein Neutron emittiert
wird, derart, dass die Summe der Energien von Neutron und Elektron
konstant ist.



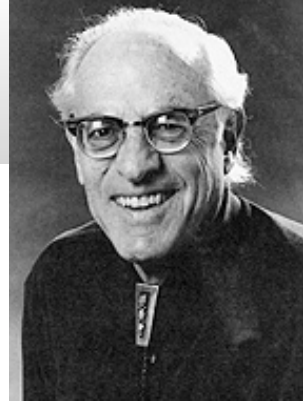
**Be patient. It is hard
and takes a long time.**

First Proposal For Direct Detection of Neutrino

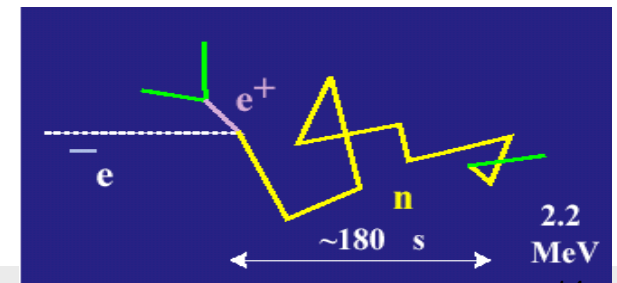
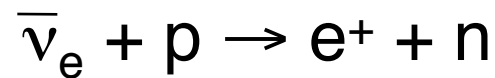
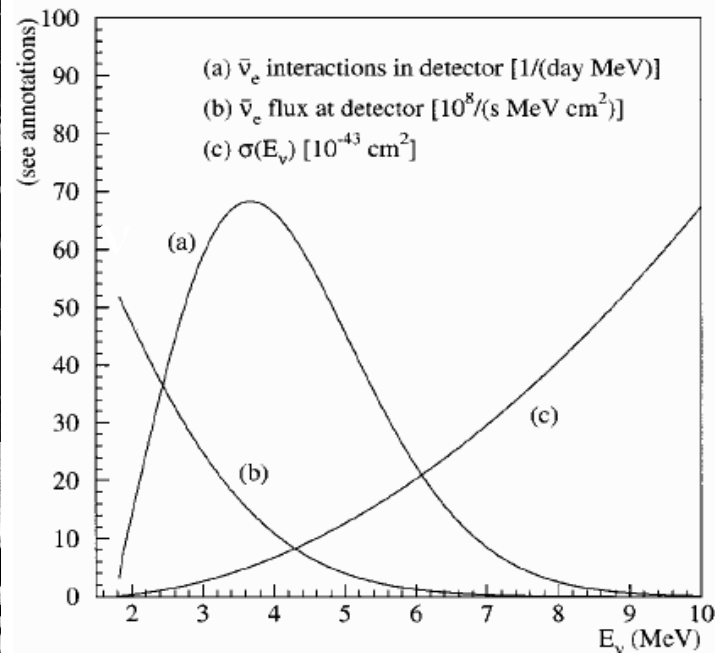
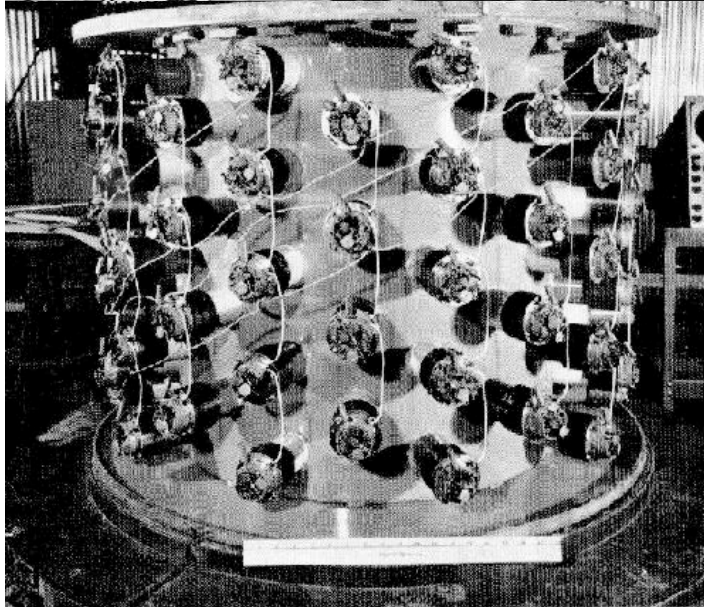
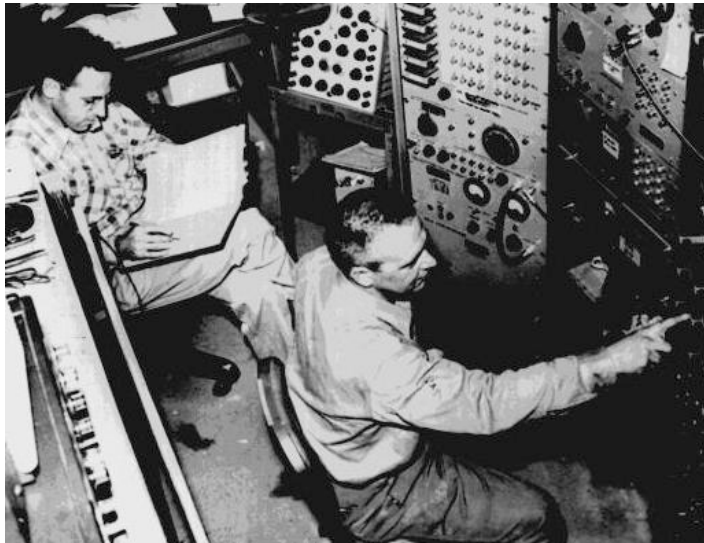


Need an intense source of neutrinos

First Antineutrino Detector



Reines and Cowan 1956



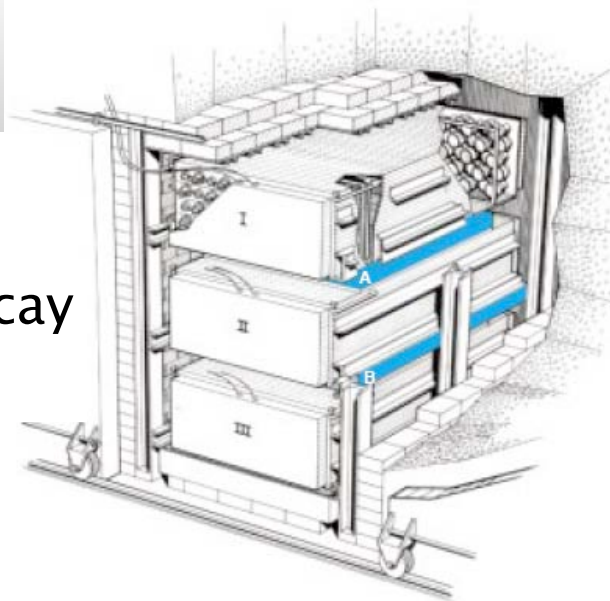
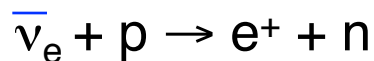
Observation of the Free Antineutrino

1959 The Savannah River Detector - A new design

Backgrounds!

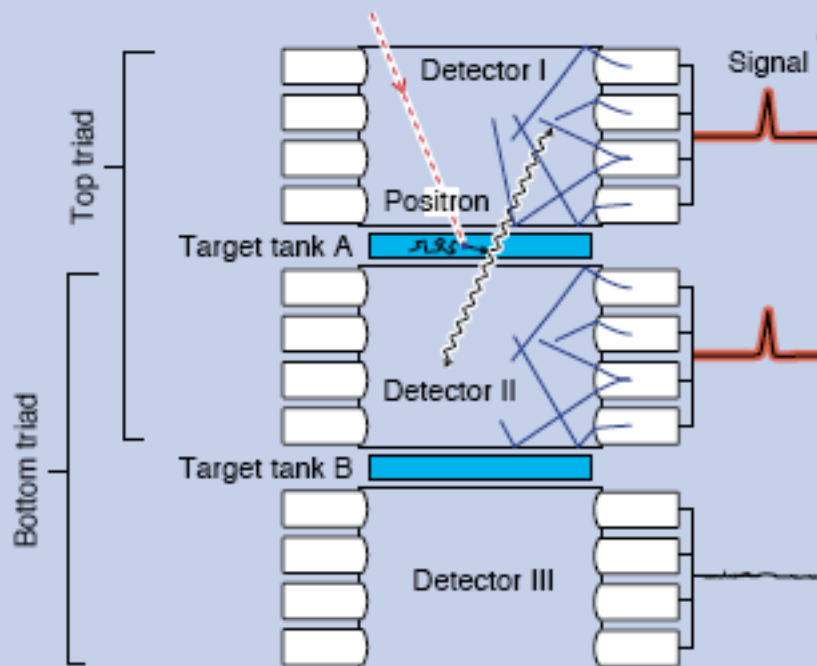
Second version of Reines' experiment worked!

inverse beta decay



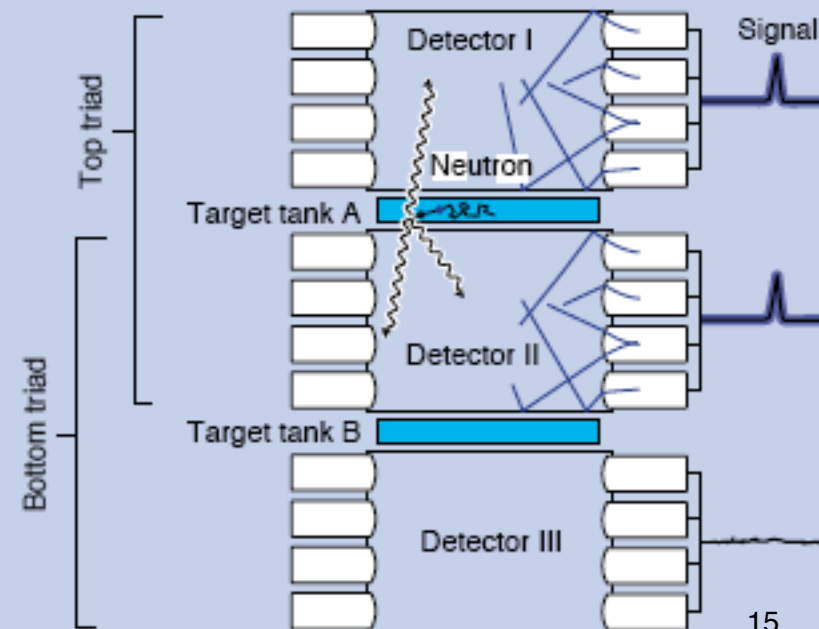
positron annihilation

(a) $T = 0$ Positron annihilation produces electron signal.



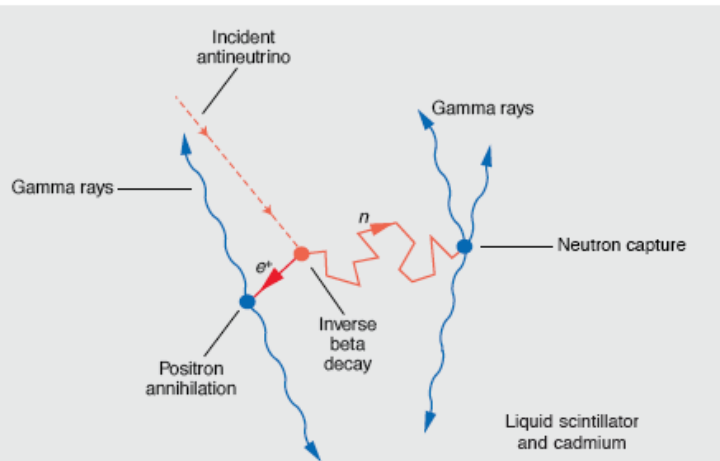
n capture

(b) $T = 3 \mu s$ Neutron capture produces neutron signal.

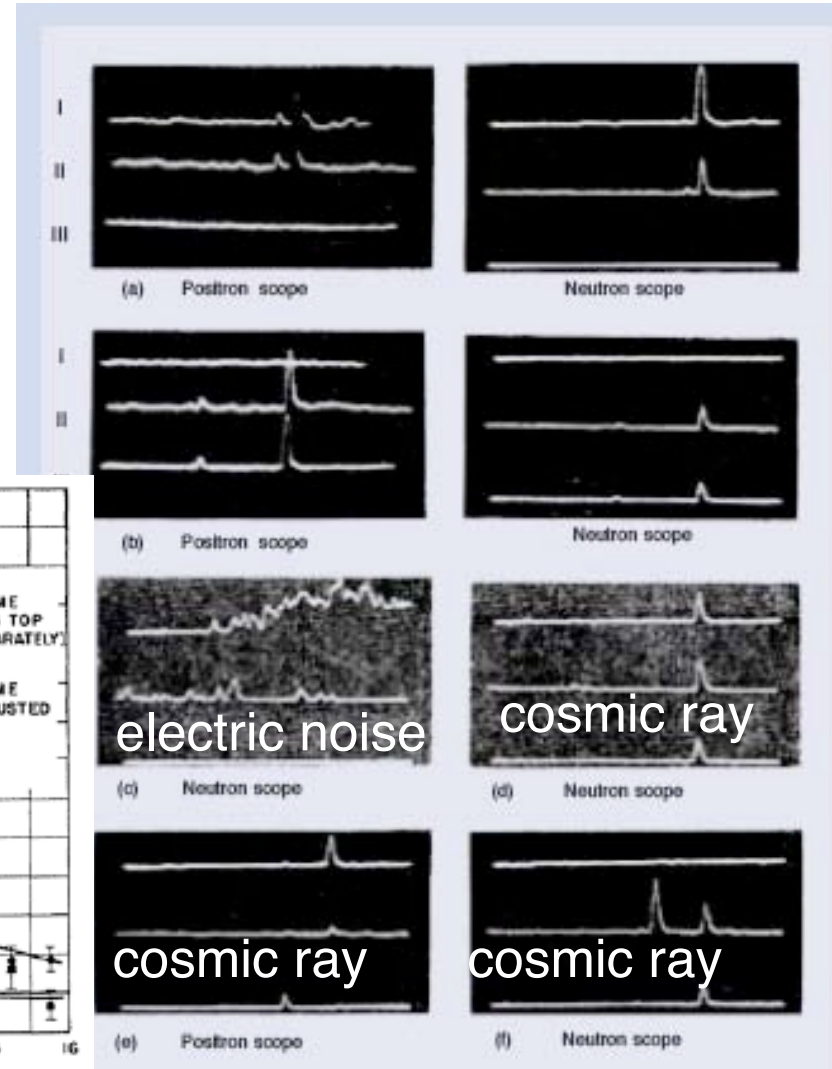


Reines-Cowan Experiment

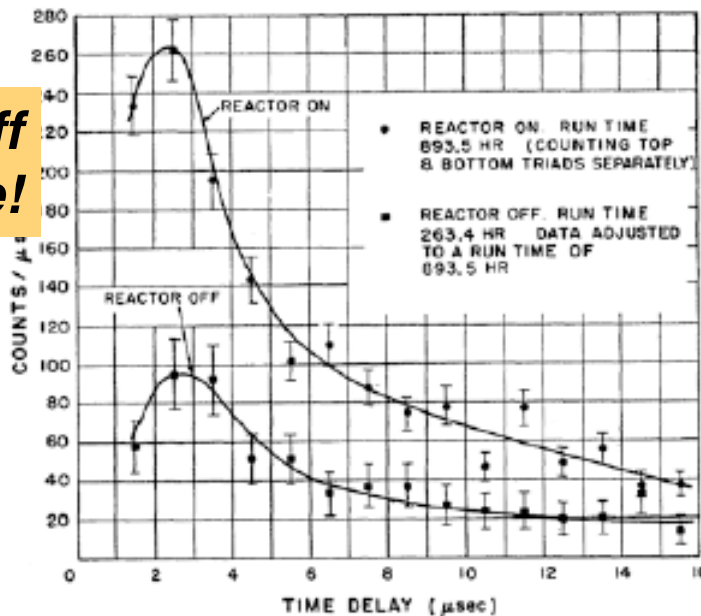
coincidence event signature



event signal

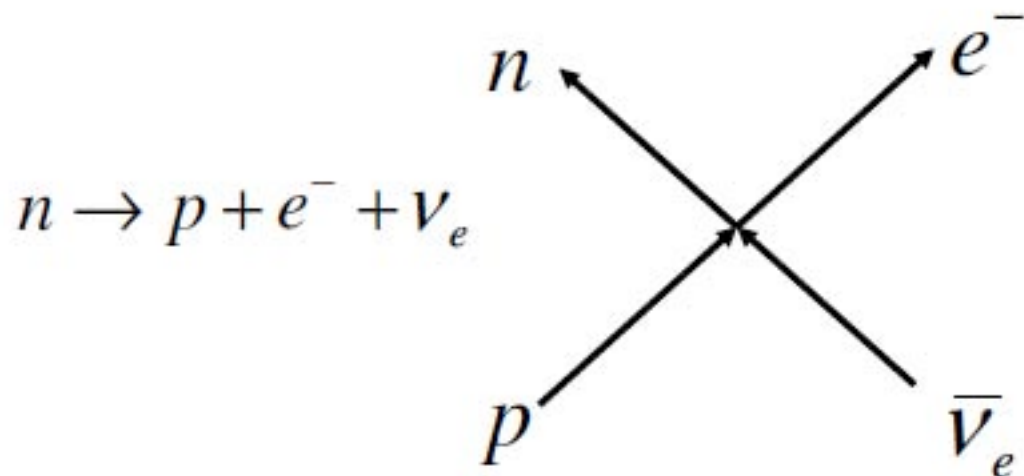
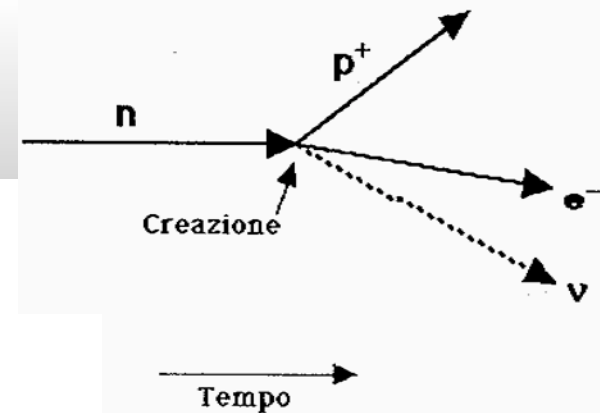


***Ideal to turn off
neutrino source!***



Fermi's Theory of Beta Decay

existence of a point-like four fermion interaction



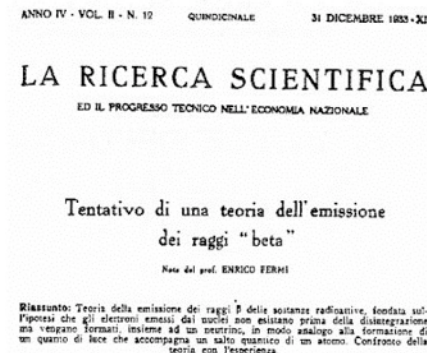
$$n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$$

Lagrangian of the interaction:

$$L(x) = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} [\bar{\phi}_p(x) \gamma^\mu \phi_n(x)] [\bar{\phi}_e(x) \gamma_\mu \phi_{\bar{\nu}}(x)]$$

$$G_F = \text{Fermi coupling constant} = (1.16637 \pm 0.00001) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

Fermi's theory still stands (parity violation added in the 50s).



Fermi's Idea for Measuring m_ν

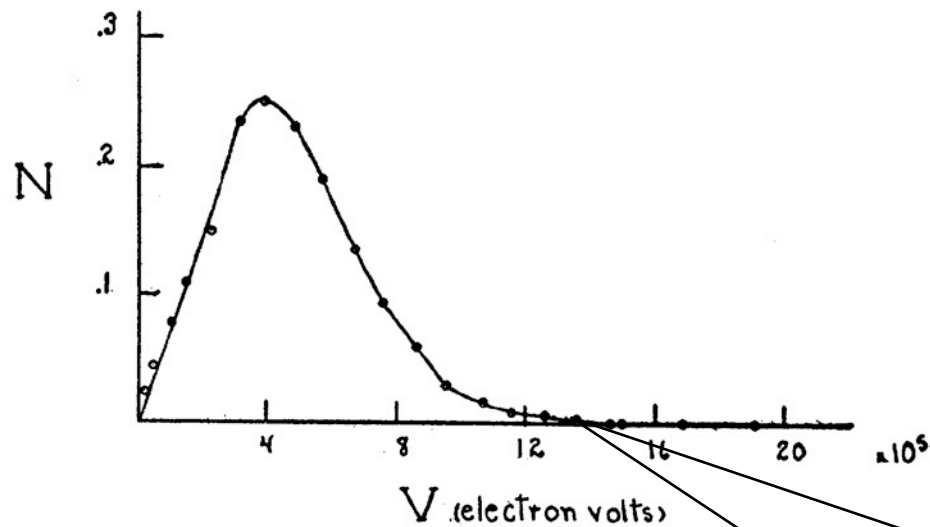


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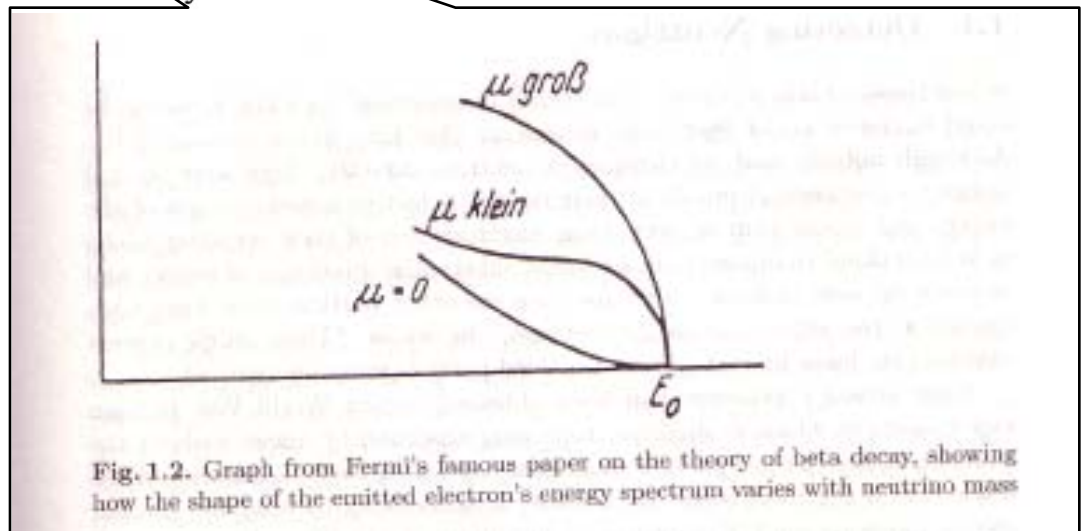
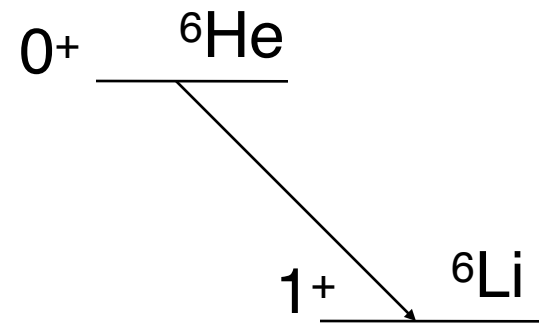
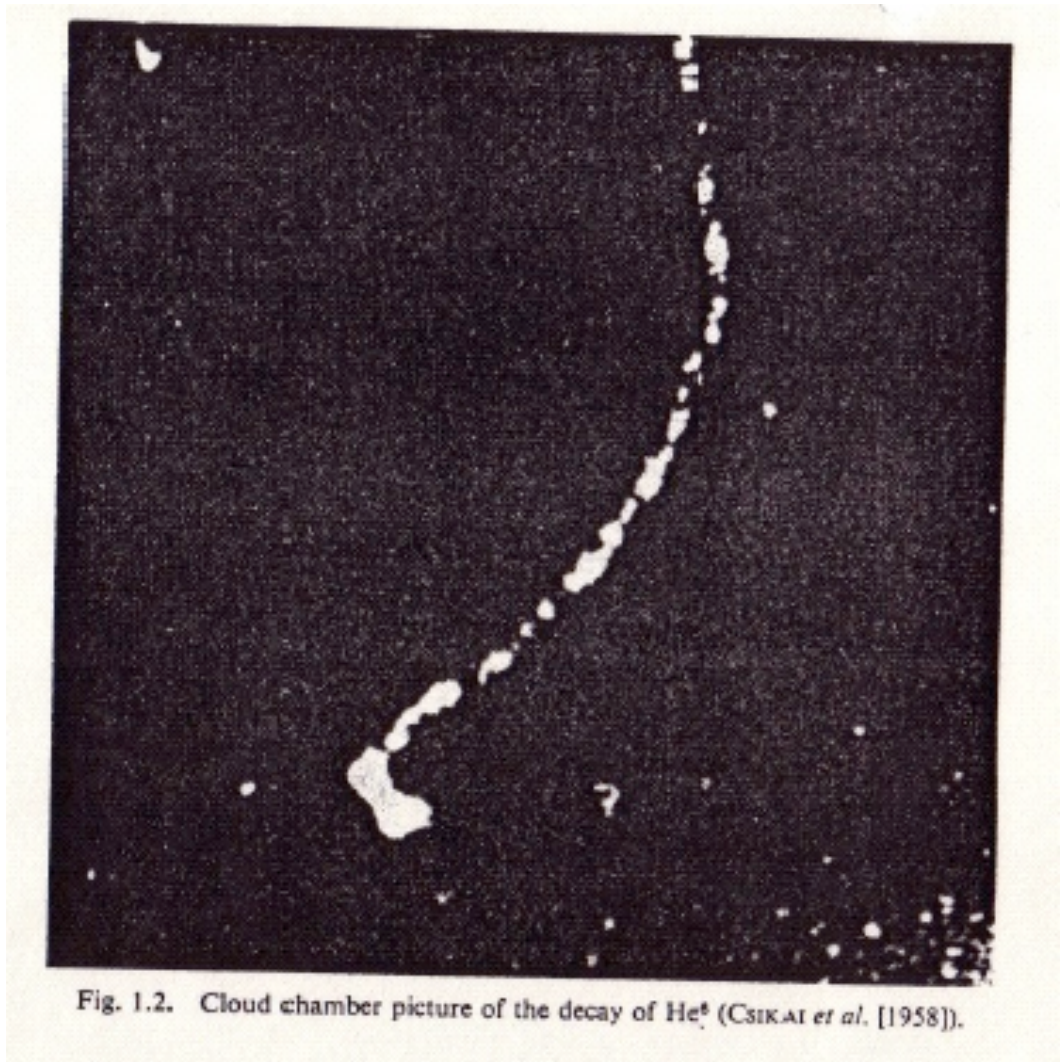


Fig. 1.2. Graph from Fermi's famous paper on the theory of beta decay, showing how the shape of the emitted electron's energy spectrum varies with neutrino mass

Beta Decay



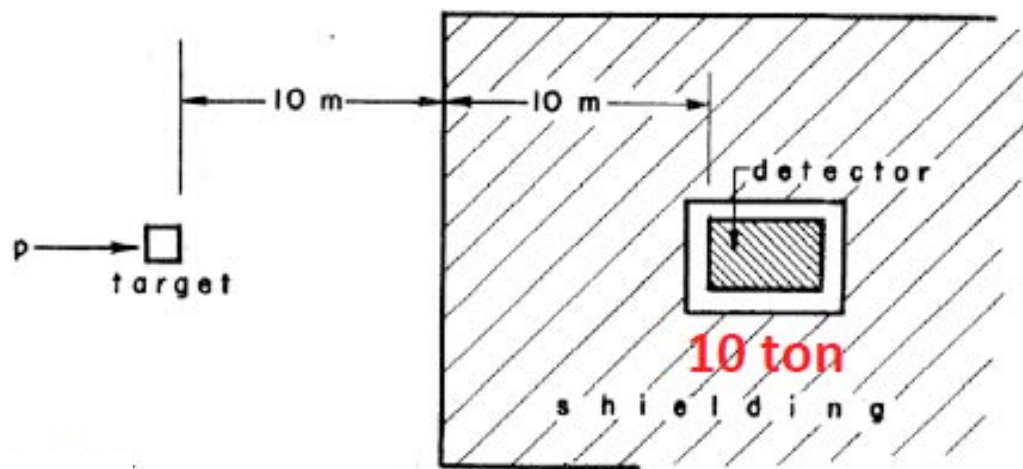
imaging events



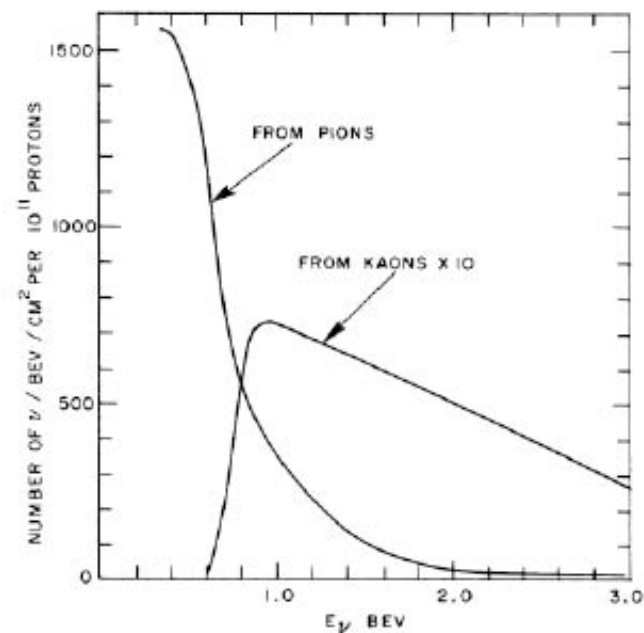
Neutrinos from Accelerators

High energy ν from accelerators to study weak interactions

M. Schwartz, Phys. Rev. Lett. 4 (1960) 306

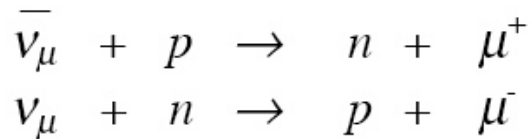


ν 's from π and K decays

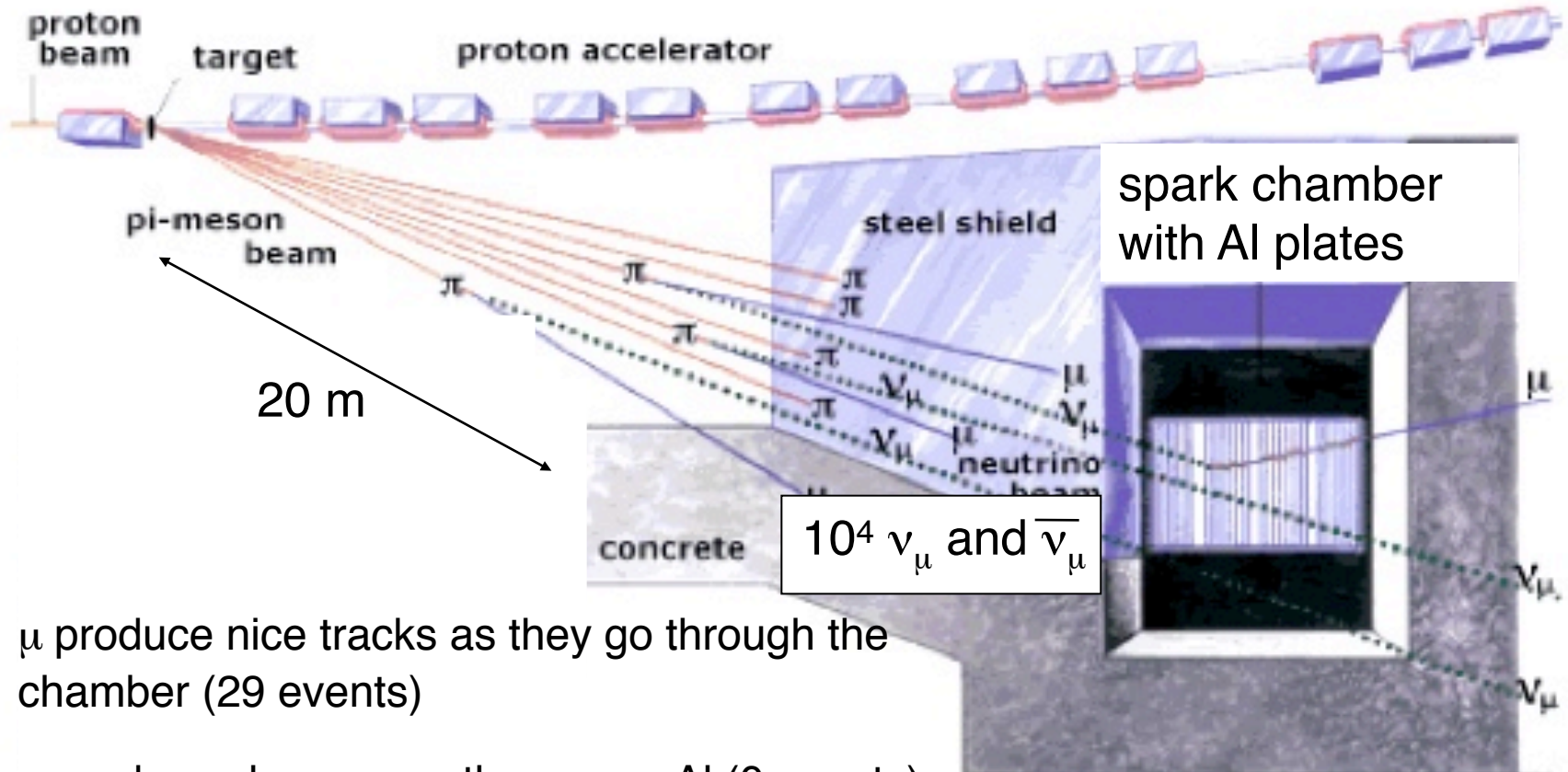


Discovery of Muon Neutrino

1962



Lederman, Schwartz, Steinberger



μ produce nice tracks as they go through the chamber (29 events)

ν produce showers as they cross Al (0 events)

Neutral Current Discovery (1973)

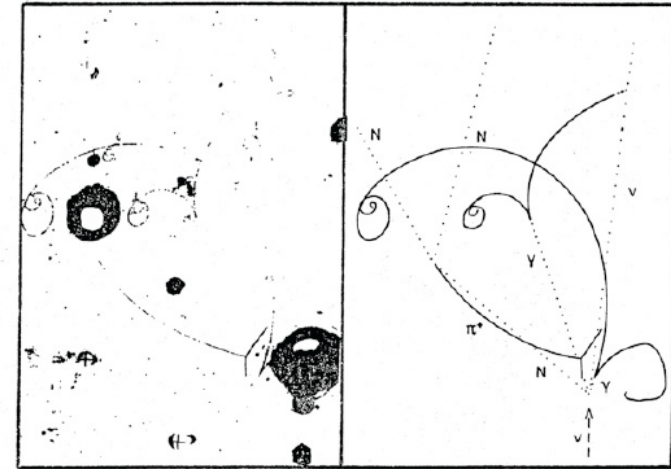
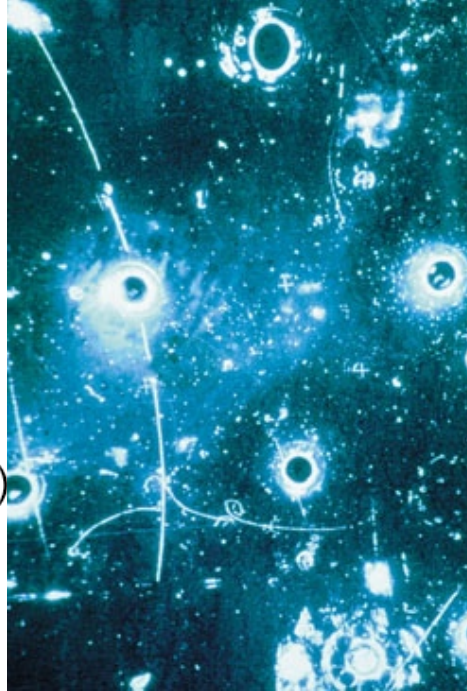
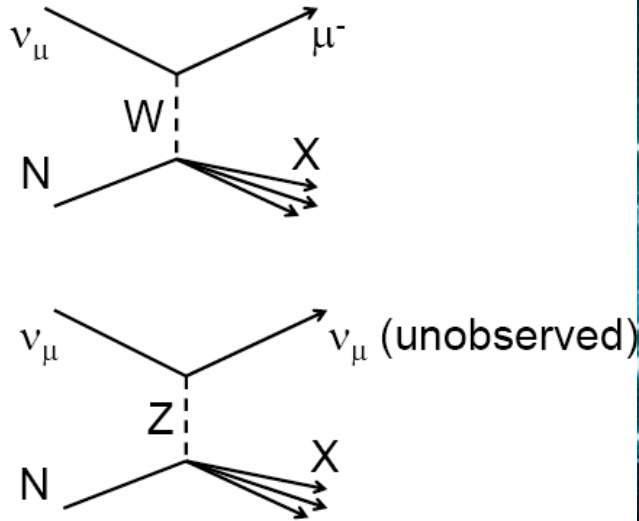


Abb. 15: Ein Kandidat für die Reaktion $(\nu n + \nu n \pi^0)$. Im Gegensatz zum Normalfall wird das Neutron durch inelastische Reaktion strahlabwärts

Gargamelle bubble chamber at CERN showing how an invisible neutrino has jogged an electron

Major triumph for the Standard Model

Table 1

	ν -exposure	$\bar{\nu}$ -exposure
No. of neutral-current candidates	102	64
No. of charged-current candidates	428	148



Number of Active Neutrinos

Precision studies of **Z-line shape**, determine number of **active** light neutrinos

Each separate $(\nu_{l'})_L$ adds to total **Z-width**.

$$Z^0 \rightarrow q\bar{q}, l\bar{l} \quad N_\nu = \frac{\Gamma_{\text{inv}}}{\Gamma_\ell} \left(\frac{\Gamma_\ell}{\Gamma_\nu} \right)_{\text{SM}}$$

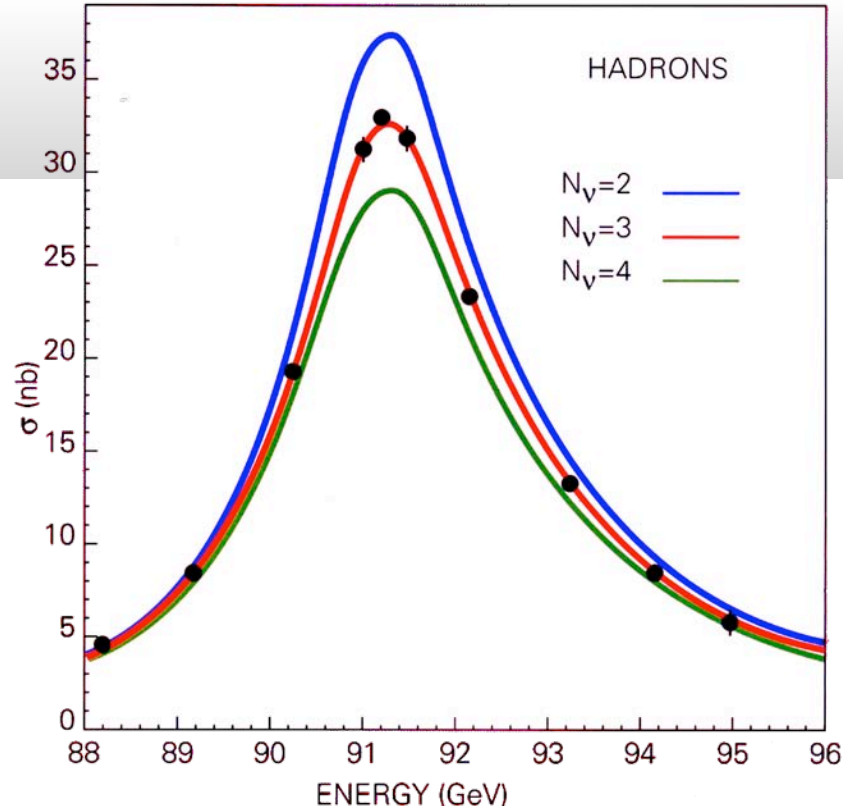
From LEP, one finds:

$$N_\nu = 2.984 \pm 0.008$$

which argues strongly for only having **3 generations**

Big bang nucleosynthesis gives a constraint on the effective number of light neutrinos at $T \sim 1$ MeV:

$$1.2 < N_\nu^{\text{eff}} < 3.3 \quad [99\% \text{ CL}]$$



Before ν_τ was detected directly!

Search for tau Neutrino

Discovery of τ lepton at SLAC (Martin Pearl, 1975)

→ there should be a corresponding neutrino.

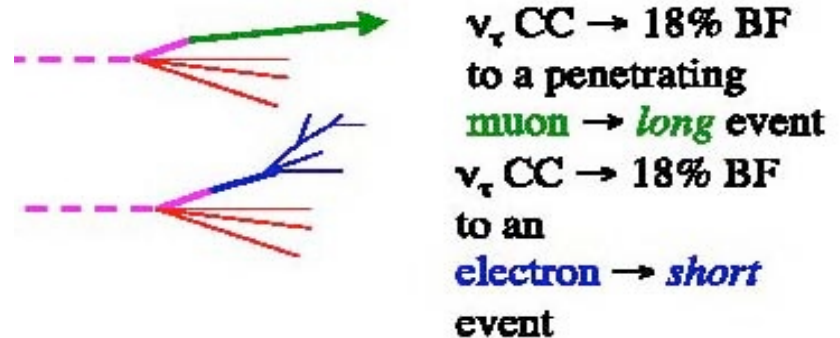
In 1989, indirect evidence for the existence of ν_τ in measurement of Z-width

→ no one had directly observed the tau neutrino.

The tau neutrino interact and form a tau that has an 18% probability of decaying to

- a muon and two neutrinos (long event)
- an electron and two neutrinos (short event)

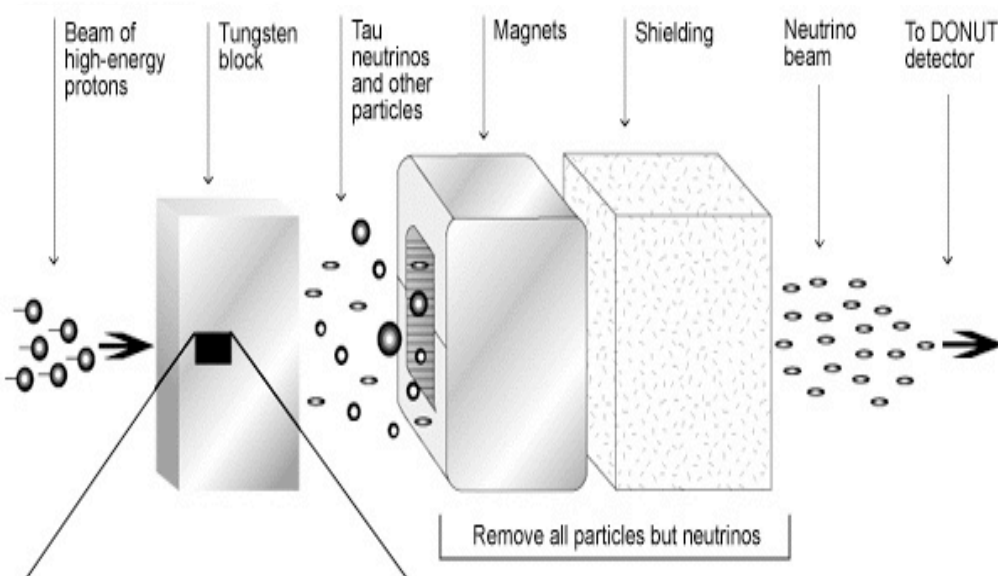
86% of all tau decays involve only 1 charged particle (a kink) which is the particle physicists are looking for in DONUT experiment



Discovery of tau Neutrino

2000

An 800 GeV beam of protons from the Tevatron collides with a block of tungsten



D_s decay into τ and ν_τ neutrino

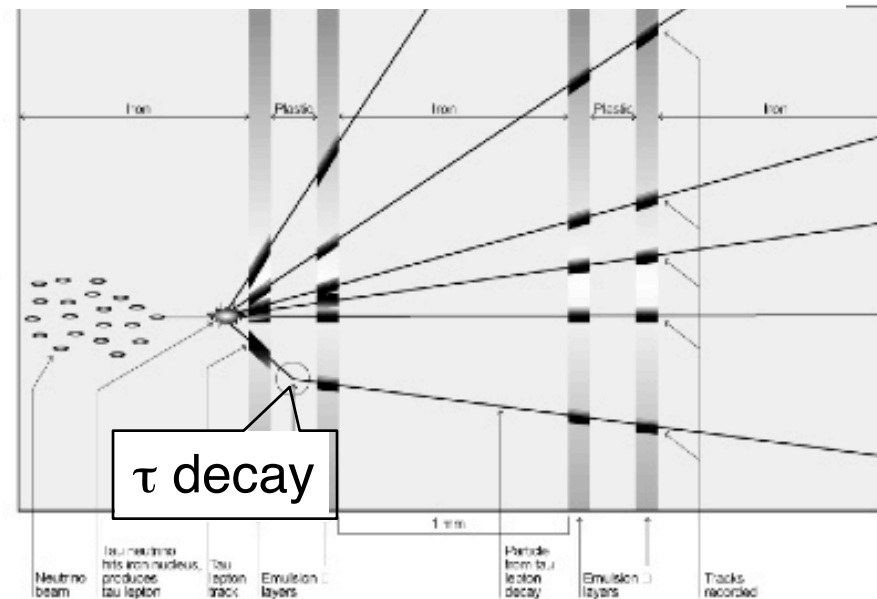
$$D_s \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \tau$$

$$\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + X$$

Experimental Challenges:

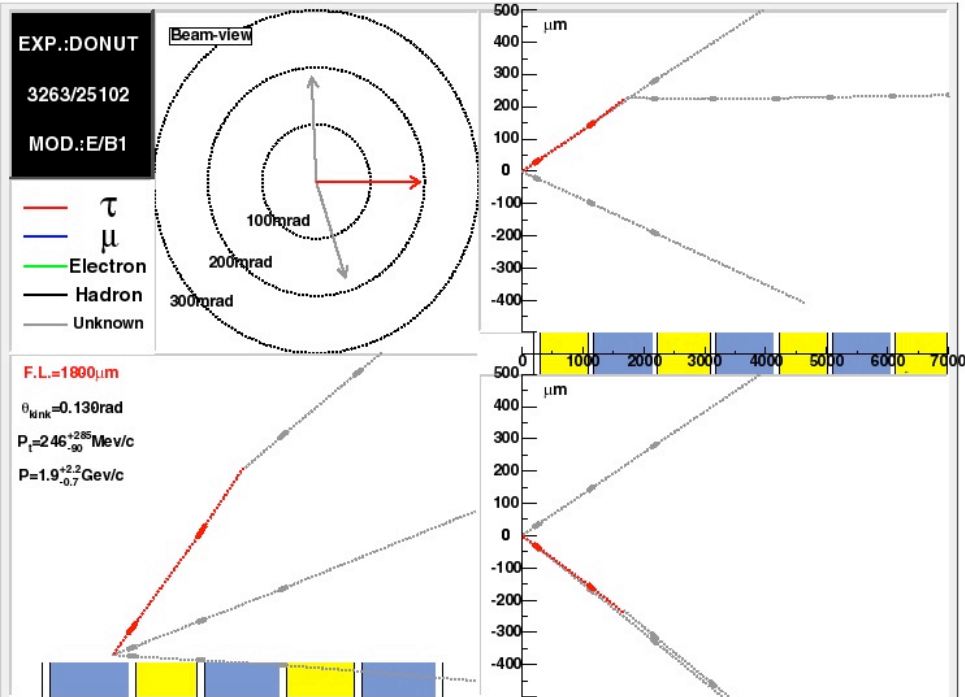
- Very short lifetime of the τ .
- ν_τ is extremely non-interacting
(detector must have a very fine resolution).

Detecting a τ Neutrino



6,000,000 candidate events on tape

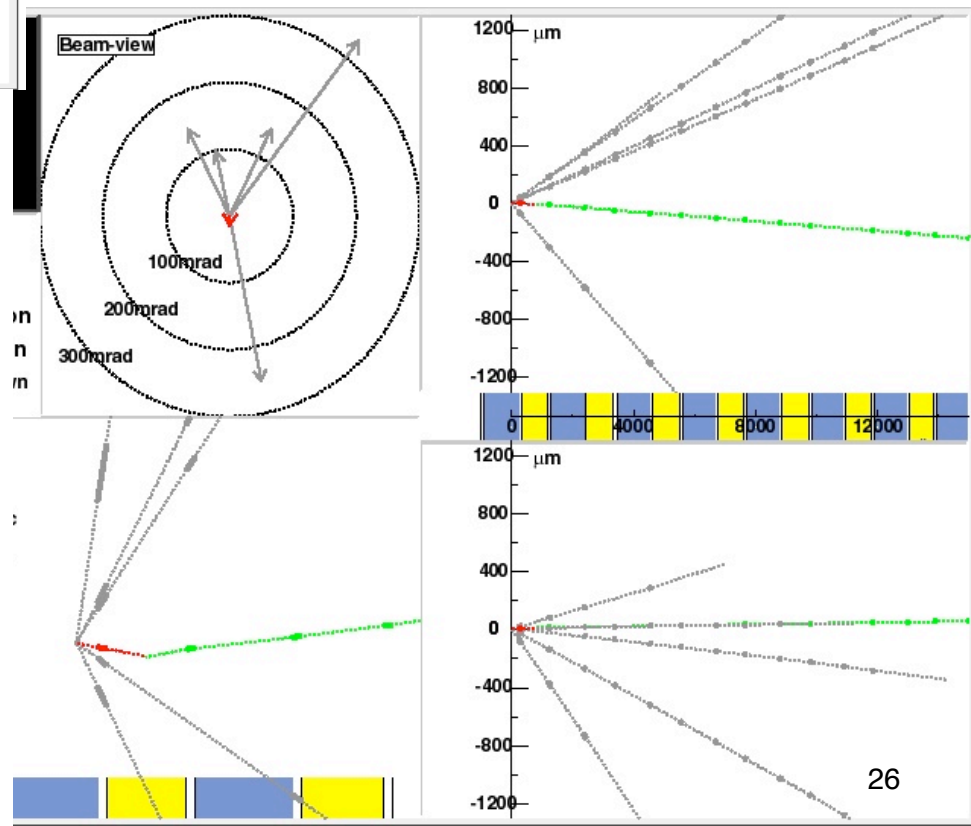
4 clean tau events



A ν_τ interacted with a nucleon in a steel layer, producing a τ .

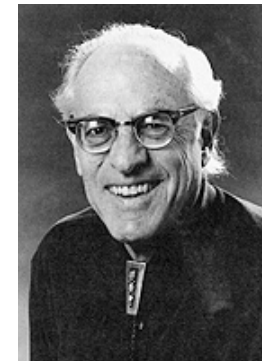
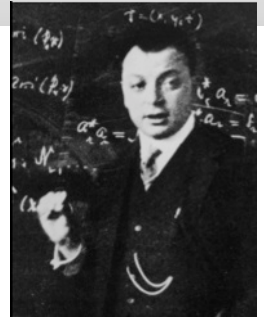
Long tau decay because it decays to one charged particle, the electron, and the decay vertex occurs several sheets downstream from the neutrino interaction vertex.

Short tau decay to an electron in less than the distance it takes to traverse an emulsion layer.

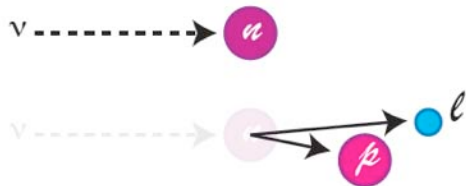


“Standard Model” Neutrino Physics

- 1914 Electron Spectrum in β decay is continuous
- 1930 Pauli postulates that a new particle is emitted
- 1933 Fermi names the new particle neutrino and introduces four-fermion interaction
- 1956 Reines and Cowan discover the neutrino
- 1962 At least two neutrinos: $\nu_e \neq \nu_\mu$
- 1973 Discovery of neutral currents at CERN
- 1983 Discovery of the W and Z
- 1989 Measurement of Z width at CERN $\rightarrow N_\nu=3$
- 2002 tau neutrino discovered.



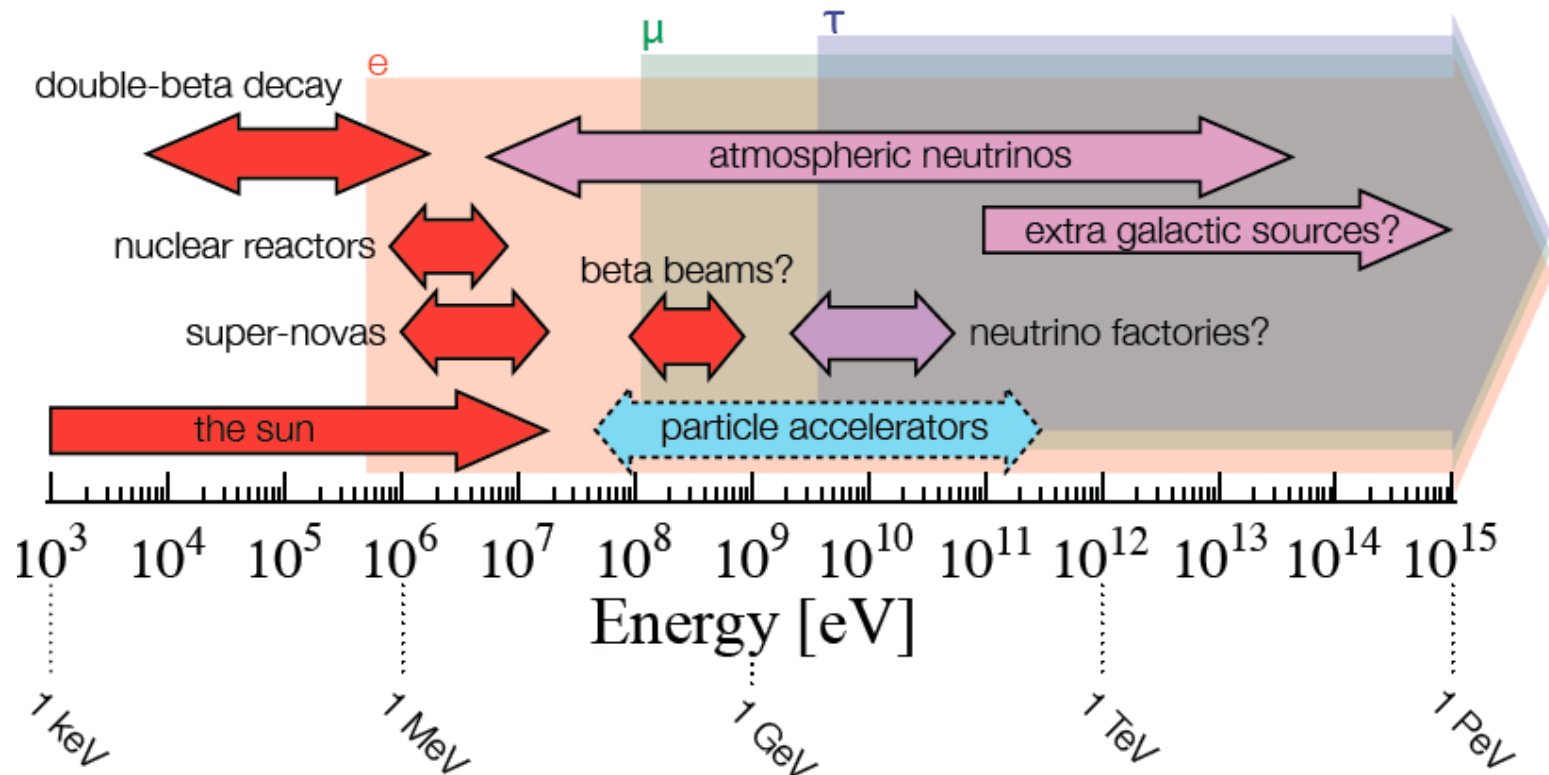
Production Thresholds and ν Source energies



$$l = e \quad m_e = 0.511 \text{ MeV} \quad P_{\text{thresh}} = 0.511 \text{ MeV}$$

$$l = \mu \quad m_\mu = 106 \text{ MeV} \quad P_{\text{thresh}} = 112 \text{ MeV}$$

$$l = \tau \quad m_\tau = 1.78 \text{ GeV} \quad P_{\text{thresh}} = 3.47 \text{ GeV}$$

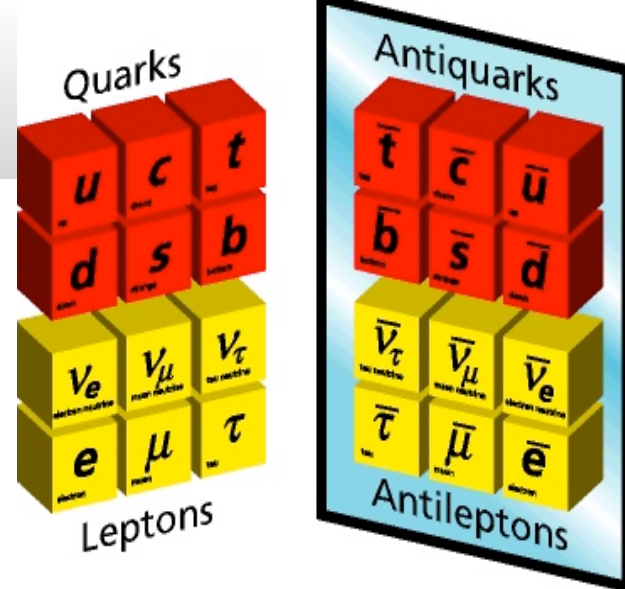


Neutrinos Properties

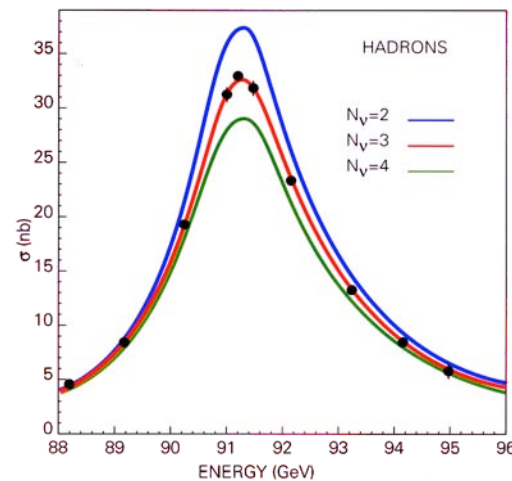
Neutrinos in the Standard Model

- point-like
- no charge
- 3 ν flavors
- massless ν (*ad hoc* assumption in Standard Model)
- upper limits on m_ν from kinematic studies.
- weak and gravitational interactions

***neutrinos as a
clean probe***



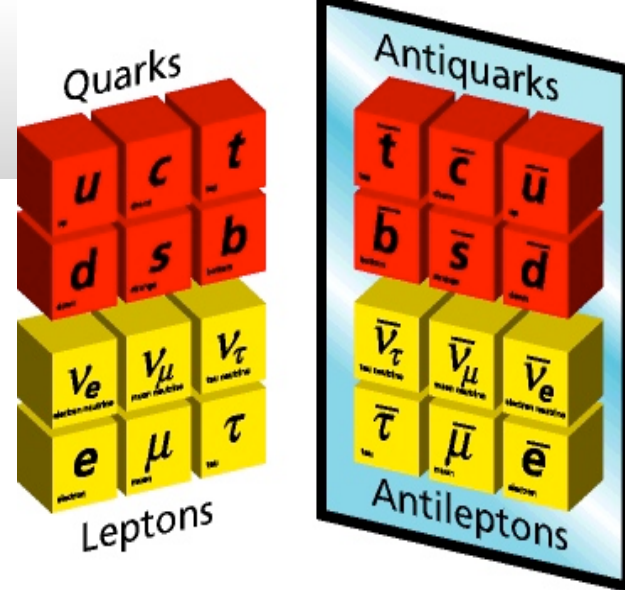
Discovery of ν_μ and ν_τ
Accelerator studies of ν



Neutrinos Properties

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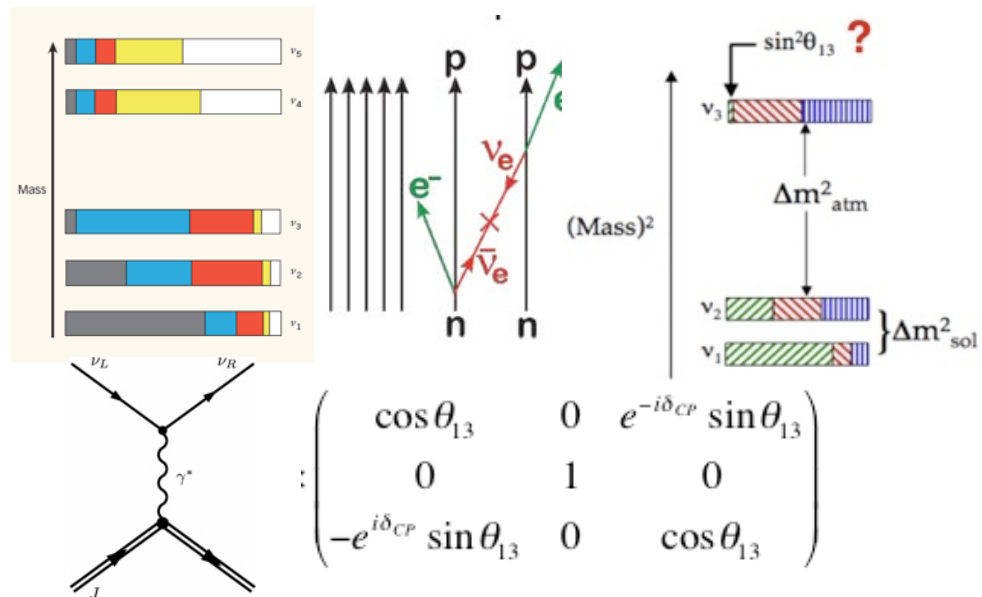
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probing neutrinos = probing new physics beyond SM

Beyond the Standard Model

- number of mass states?
- Dirac vs Majorana mass?
- magnetic moment?
- mixing parameters
- CP violation?



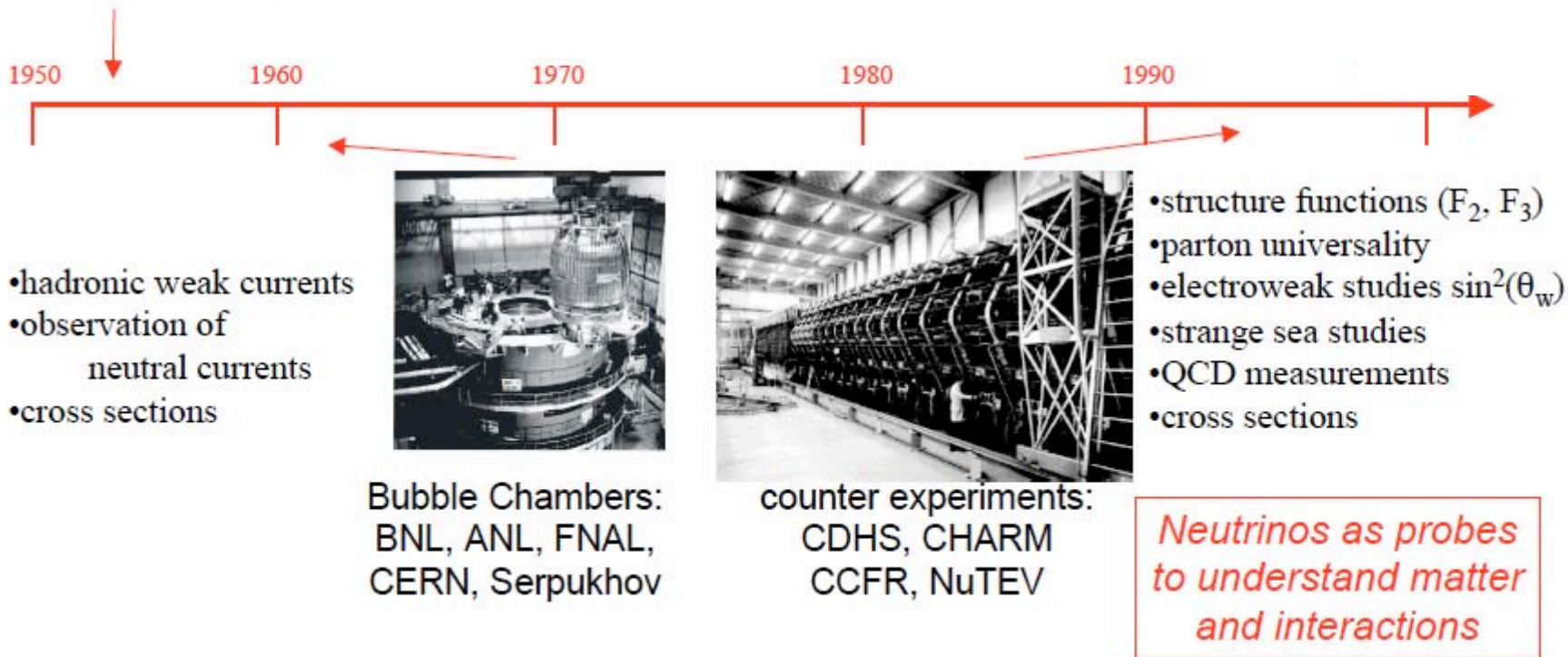
Neutrinos as a Probe – Probing Neutrinos

Neutrinos as a Probe

Understanding Matter and Interactions with Neutrinos

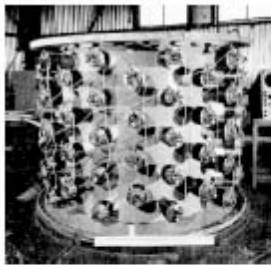


Reines-Cowan $\bar{\nu}$ discovery
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fundamental ν properties

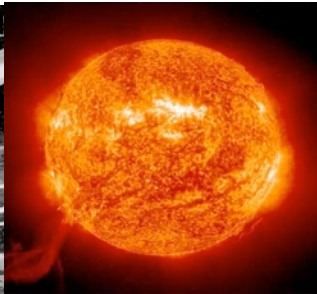
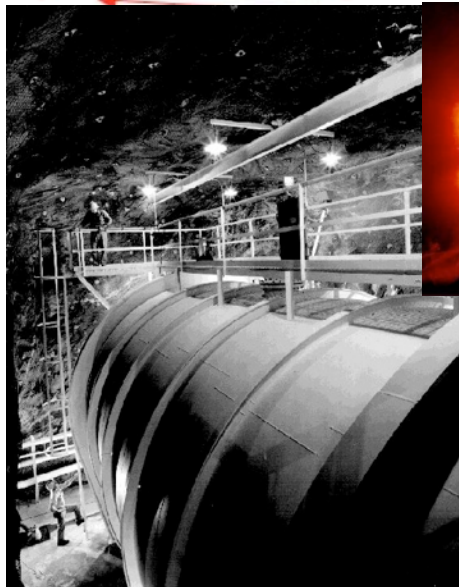


Neutrinos as a Probe

Understanding Astrophysics



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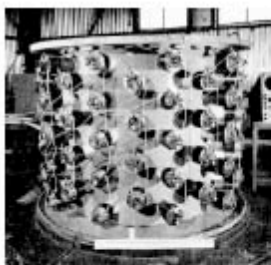
solar neutrinos



SN1987A
observation of astrophysical
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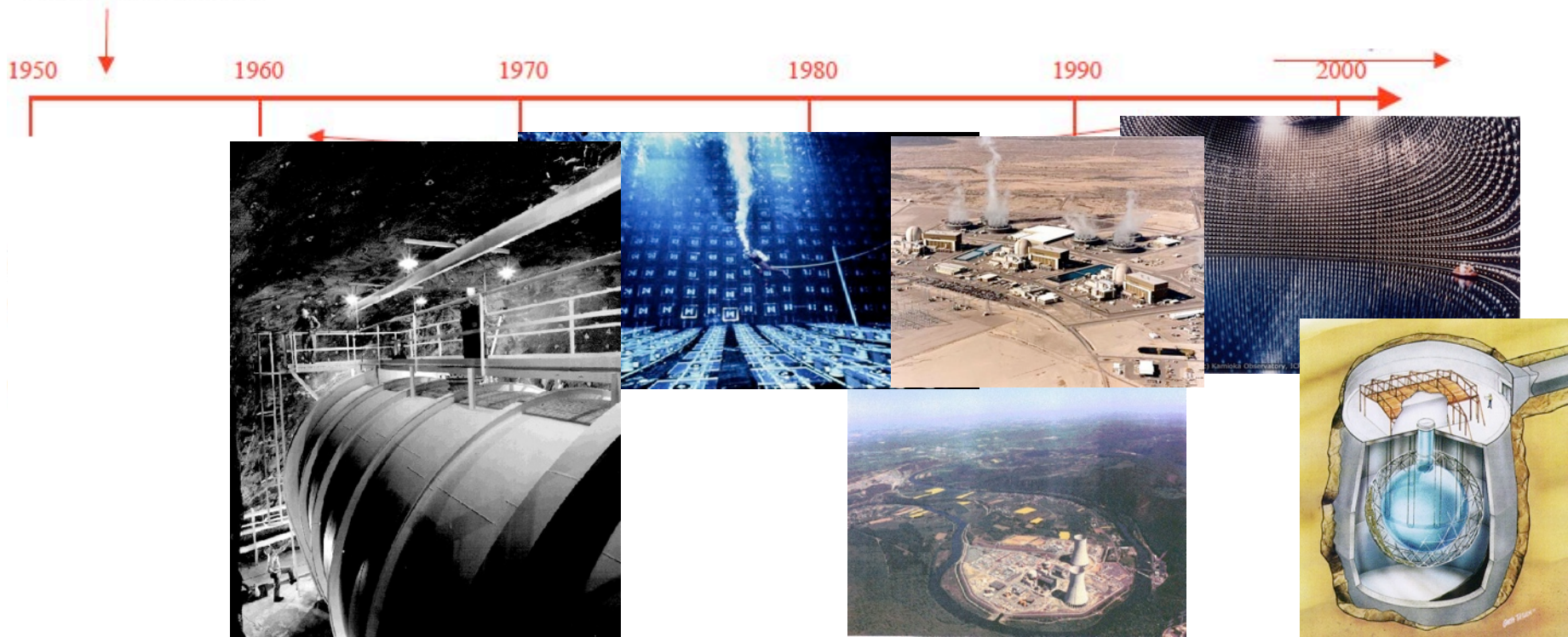
Probing Neutrinos

Neutrino Masses and Mixing, Non-Standard Effects



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searches for neutrino
oscillation with intense
sources of ν_e , $\bar{\nu}_e$, ν_μ , ...



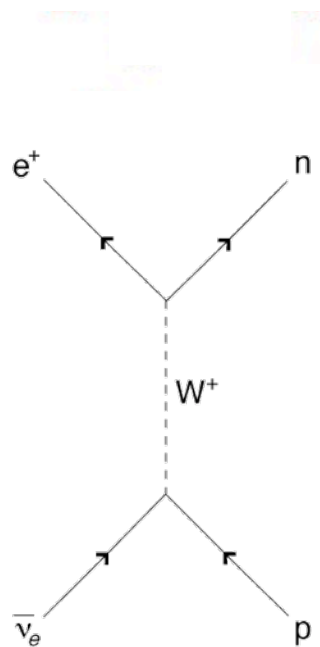
Experimental Challenges:

Cross-Sections

Detector Segmentation and Backgrounds

First Neutrino Cross-Section Calculation

1934 Bethe-Peirls: calculation of first cross-section for inverse beta



$\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + e^+$ or $\nu_e + n \rightarrow p + e^-$ using Fermi theory

$\sigma \approx 5 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$ for $E(\bar{\nu}) = 2 \text{ MeV}$ Accurate to factor 2

Conversion from natural units: $\hbar c = 197.3 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{fm}$

Cross-section: multiply by $(\hbar c)^2 = 0.3894 \times 10^{-27} \text{ GeV}^2 \cdot \text{cm}^2$

Mean free path of antineutrino in water:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n\sigma} \approx 1.5 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm} \approx 1600 \text{ light-years}$$

$$n = \frac{\text{num. free protons}}{\text{volume}} \approx 2 \frac{N_A}{A} \rho$$

In water:

$$n = \frac{2 \times 6 \times 10^{23}}{18} = 6.7 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

□ Probability of interaction:

$$P = 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{L}{\lambda}\right) \approx \frac{L}{\lambda} = 6.7 \times 10^{-20} (\text{m water})^{-1}$$

Need very intense source of antineutrinos to detect inverse beta reaction.

Neutrino Cross Section is Small

Weak interactions are weak because of the massive W and Z boson exchange

$$\sigma^{\text{weak}} \propto G_F^2 \propto (1/M_{W \text{ or } Z})^4$$
$$G_F = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{8} \left(\frac{g_W}{M_W} \right)^2 = 1.166 \times 10^{-5} / \text{GeV}^2 \quad (g_W \approx 0.7)$$

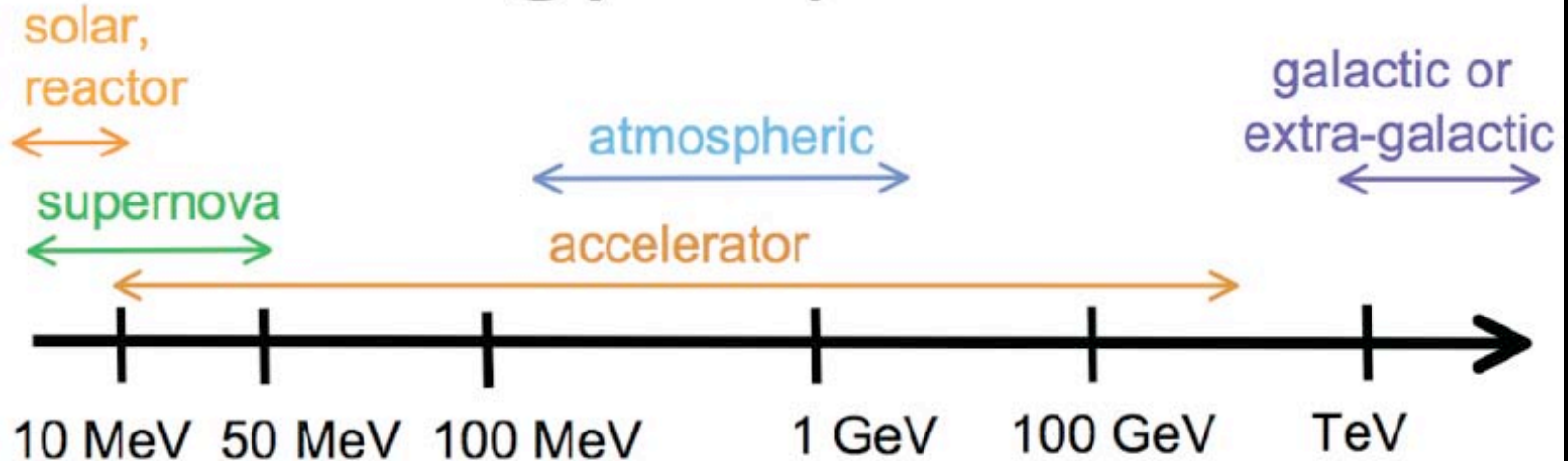
$M_W \sim 80 \text{ GeV}$
 $M_Z \sim 91 \text{ GeV}$

For 100 GeV neutrinos: $\sigma(\nu e) \sim 10^{-40}$
 $\sigma(\nu p) \sim 10^{-36} \text{ cm}^2$
 $\sigma(pp) \sim 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^2$

Mean free path length in steel $\sim 3 \times 10^9 \text{ m}$

→ Need big detectors and lots of ν 's

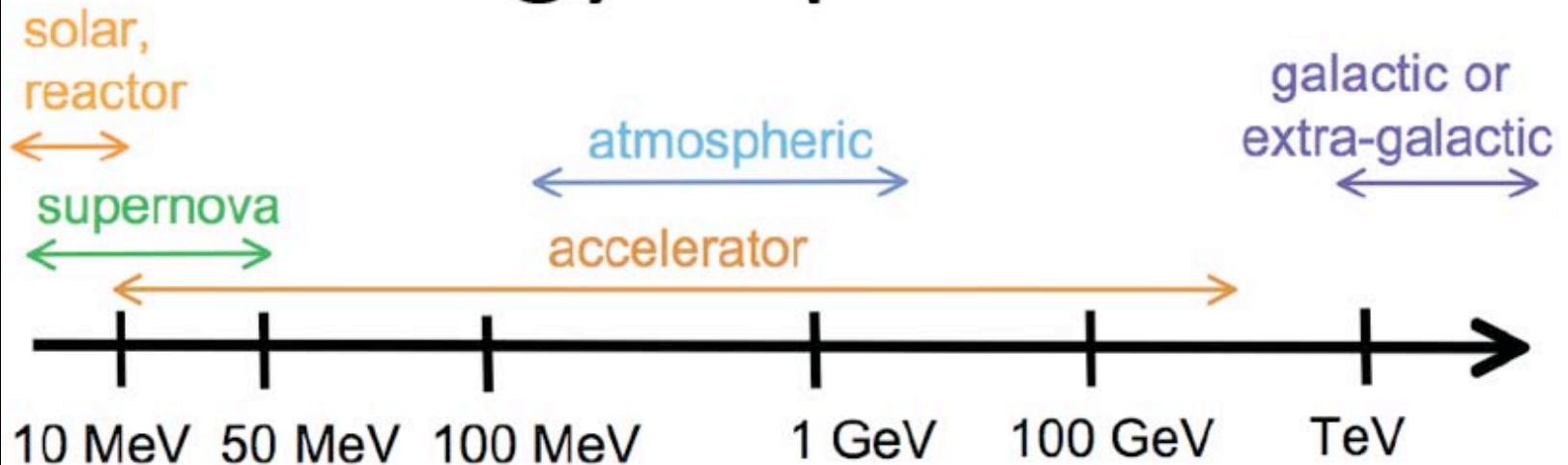
Energy dependence



- **target description** is different depending on the ν energy

ν-nucleon>	ν-quark
elastic scattering (nucleon form factors)		inelastic scattering (parton density functions)
can also create resonances (another type of inelastic interaction)		

Energy dependence

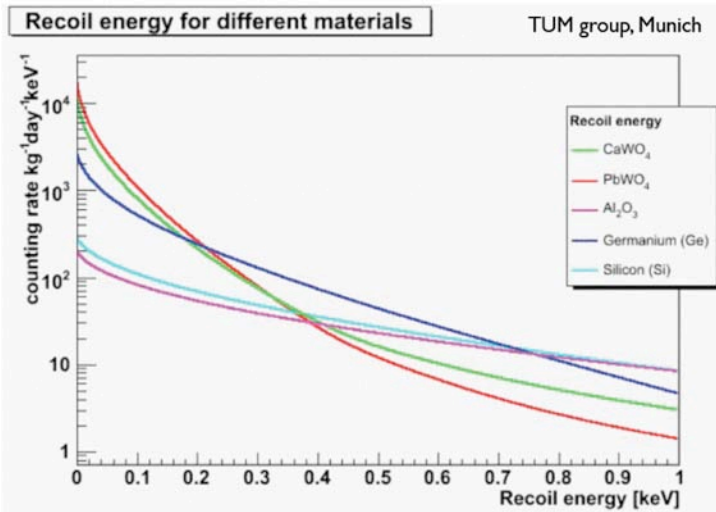


- also, treatment of **nuclear effects** is energy dependent ...

shell model,> impulse> quark parton
RPA, EFT approximation model
(Fermi Gas, spectral functions, etc.)

Energy Dependence of Neutrino Interactions

Searching for new effects (Coherent ν -A scattering)

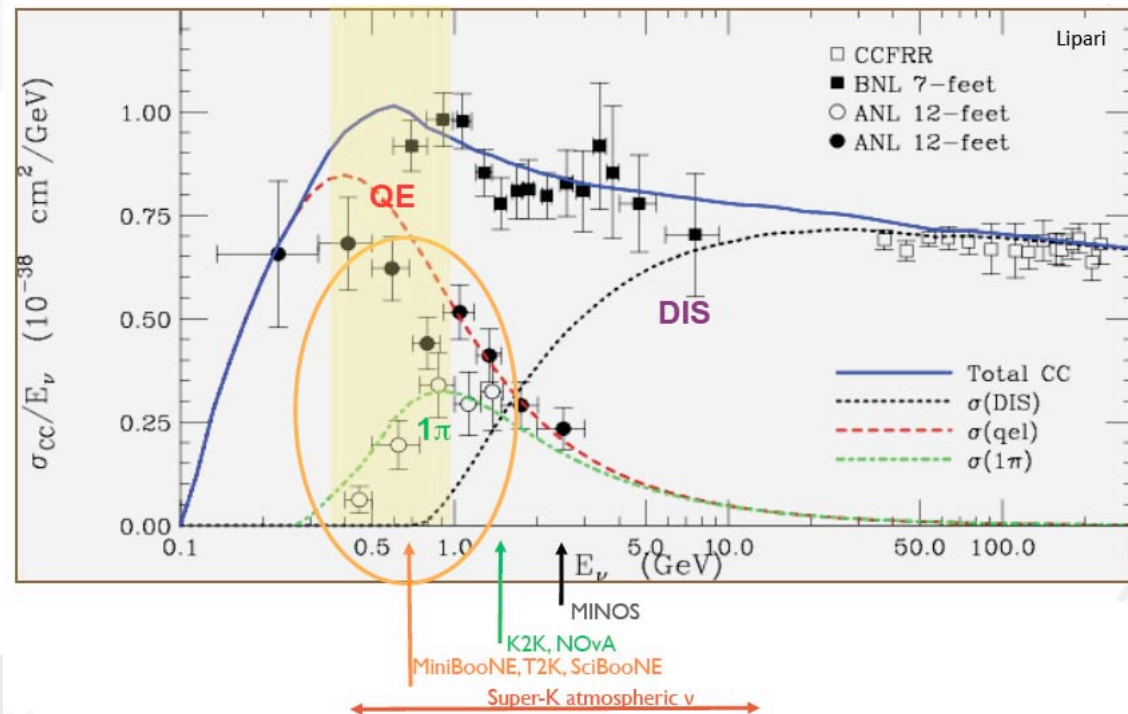


Coherent ν -A elastic $\sigma \sim 10^{-39} \text{ cm}^2$

Max Energy of recoil nucleus $\sim 2E_\nu^2 / M$

SM process

Understanding neutrino oscillations and cross-sections



Detector Segmentation

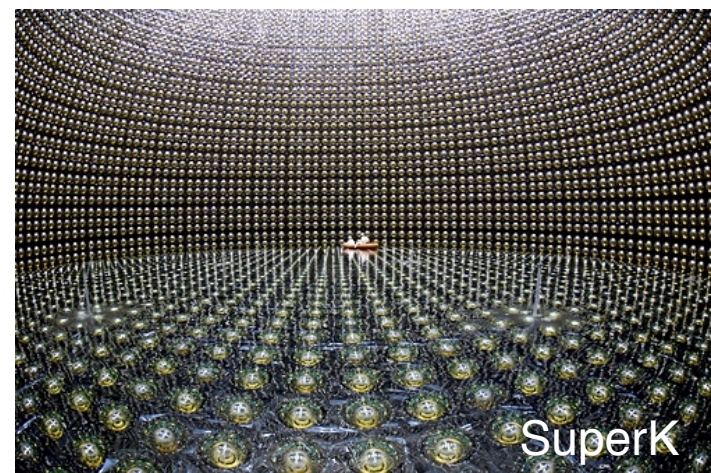
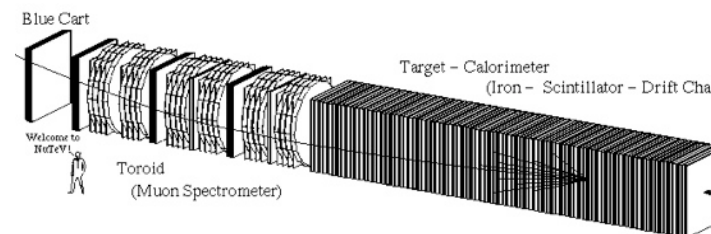
Detectors are often homogeneous due to large size requirement

Geometries

- Segmented (sampling): Instrumented in small volumes. Target may not be the active detector element.
- Unsegmented (fully active): Volume instrumented as a whole. Target is active detector element

Background Suppression

- Passive shielding from cosmic rays at $\sim 200\text{Hz}/\text{m}^2$ on surface
 - segmented may be OK on surface
 - unsegmented go underground
- Time correlation with neutrino source (e.g. beam)
- Active background discrimination



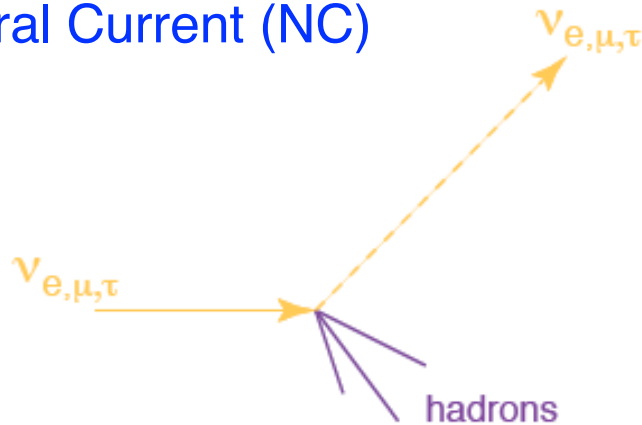
Detectors in Neutrino Physics:

Detection Channels
Particle Signatures

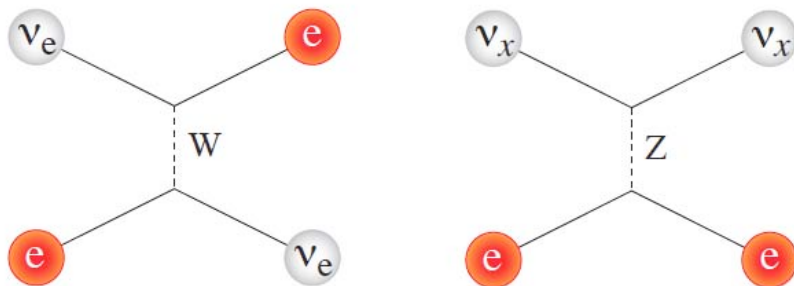
Neutrino Detection and Particle Signatures

Detect particles when neutrinos interact with nuclei or electrons bound to nuclei

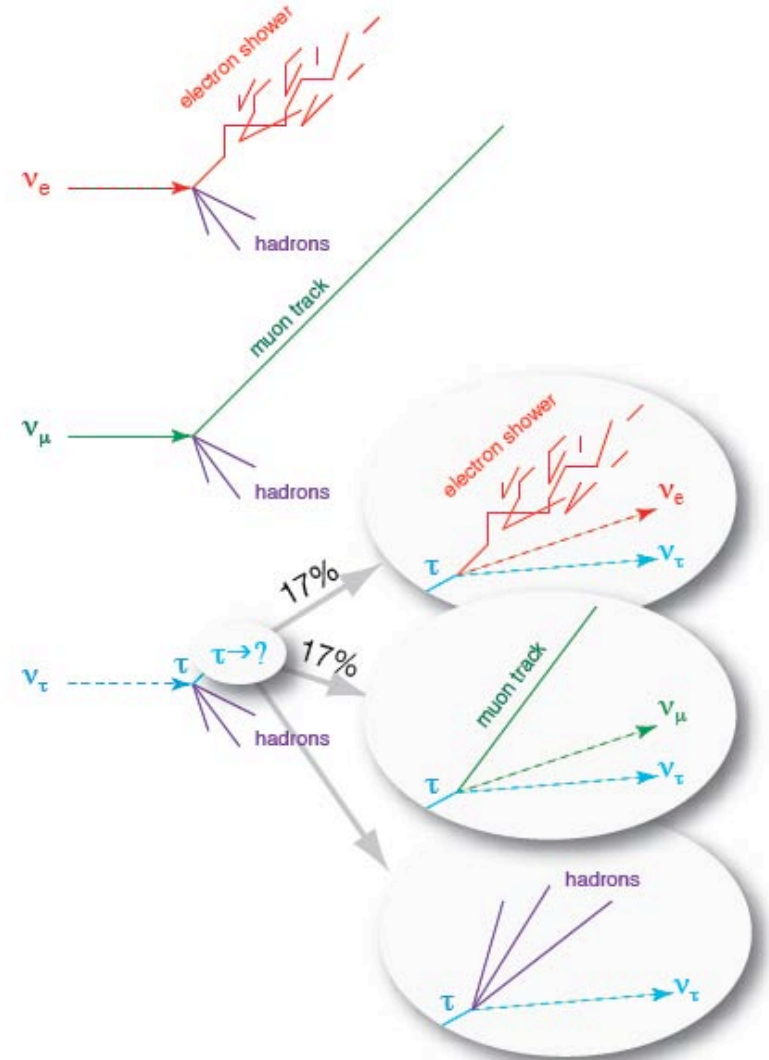
Neutral Current (NC)



Elastic Scattering (ES)

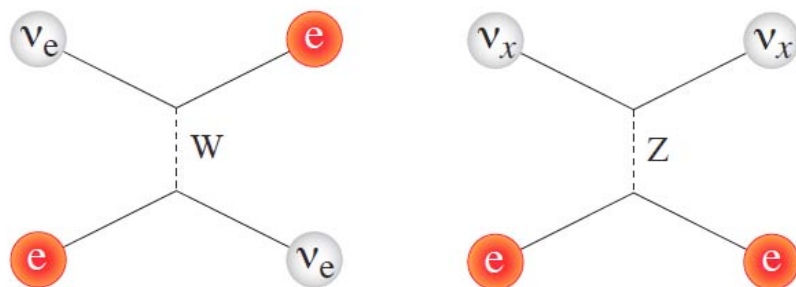


Charged Current (CC)



Neutrino Detection and Particle Signatures

Elastic Scattering (ES)



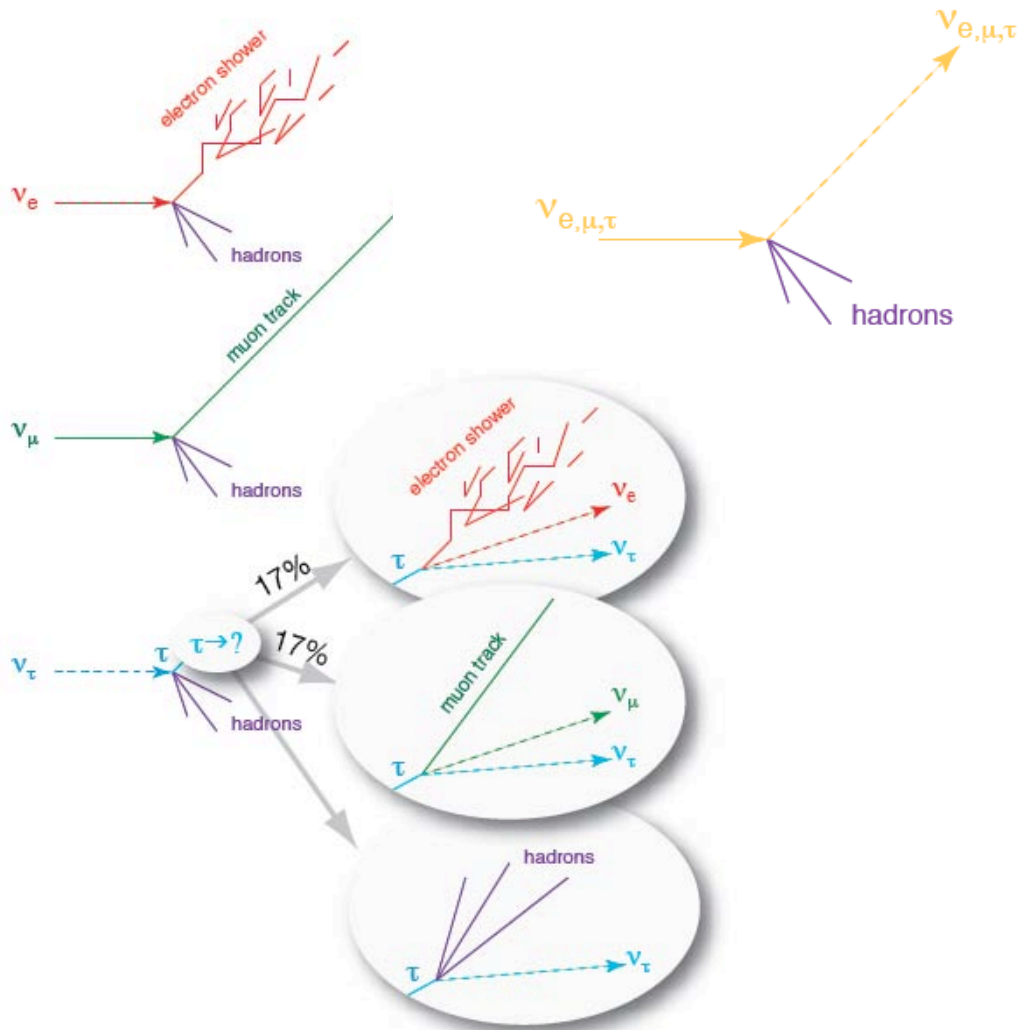
Cross-sections for nucleons turn off below 200 MeV. At low energies we can use target containing free nucleons, or neutrino-electron elastic scattering.

Elastic Scattering

- electron sent primarily in forward direction
- energy of electron \sim uniformly distributed between 0 and E_ν
- $\sigma_{CC}/\sigma_{NC} \sim 1/6$

Neutrino Detection and Particle Signatures

Charged Current (CC) and Neutral Current (NC)



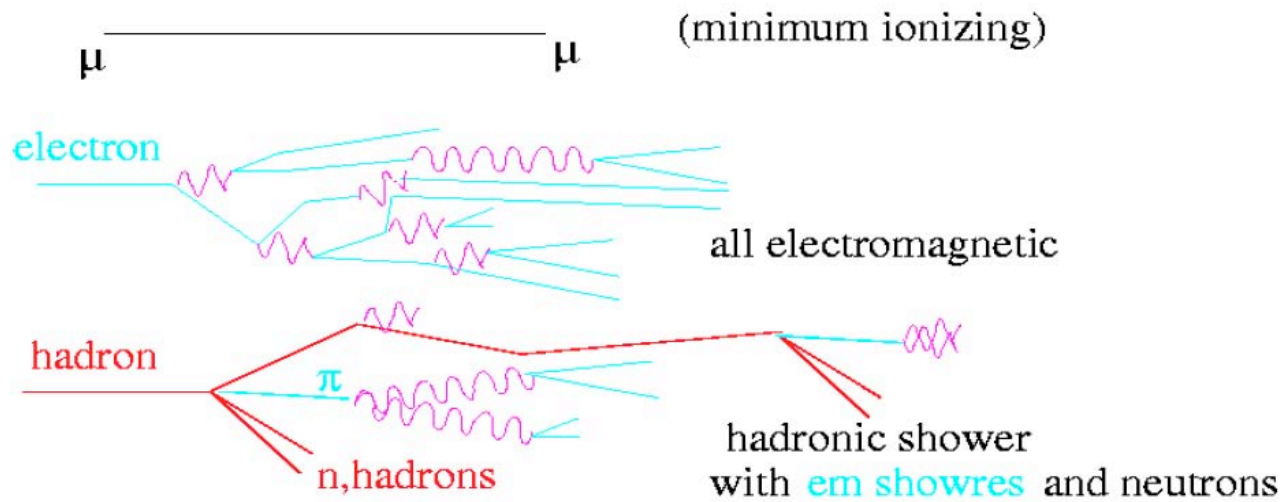
Charged Current

- outgoing lepton tags incoming ν flavor
- nearly all ν energy is deposited in the detector
- rates affected by (active) neutrino oscillations

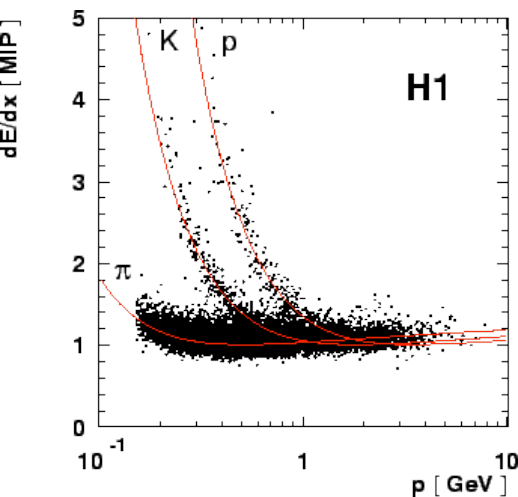
Neutral Current

- only hadrons present, no information on incident neutrino flavor
- NC rates not affected by oscillation
- in many cases NC events are background to the CC processes

Neutrino Detection and Particle Signatures

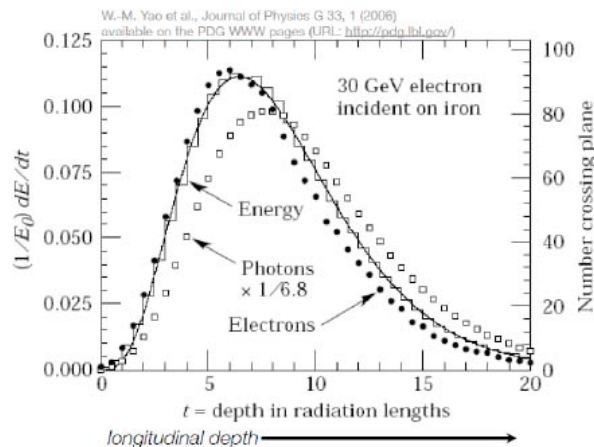


ionization loss



electromagnetic showers

hadronic showers



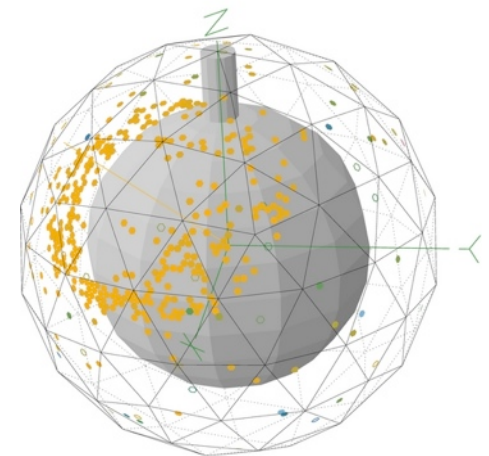
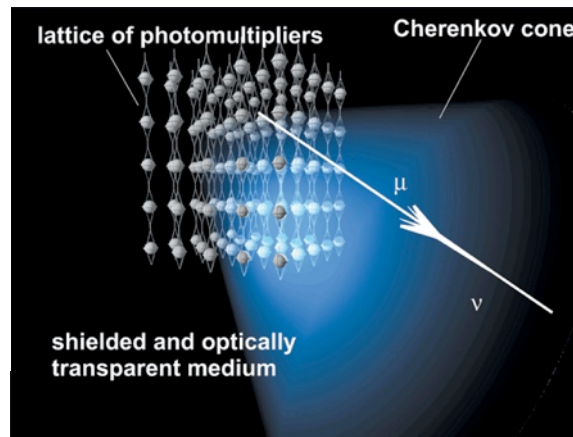
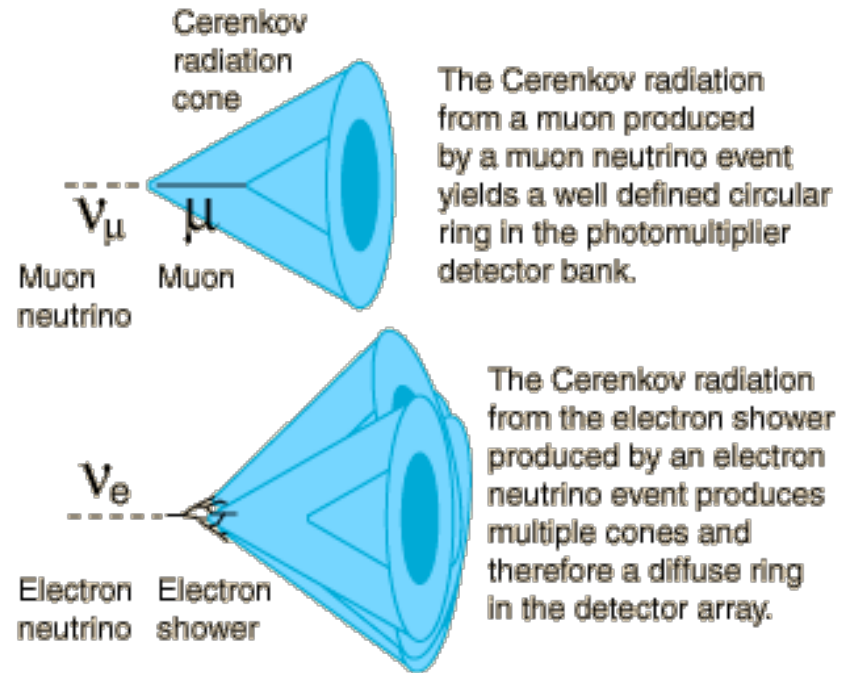
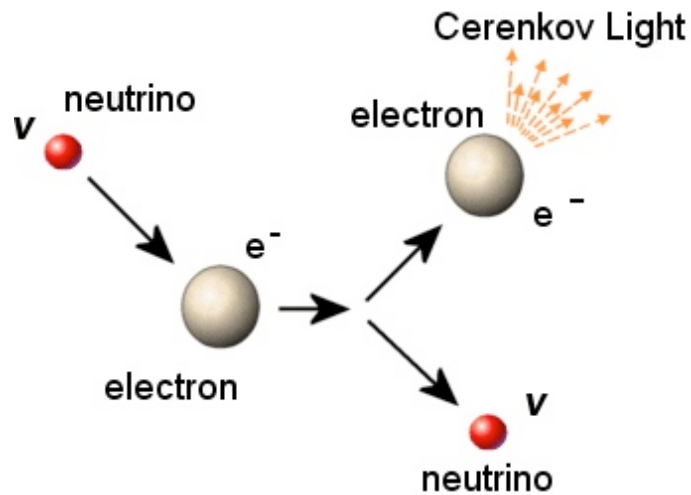
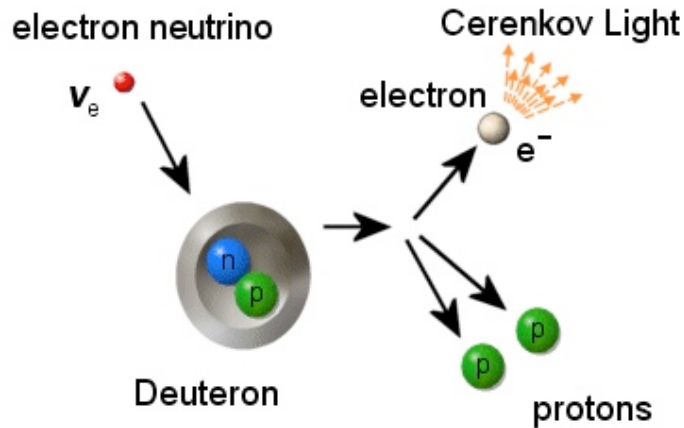
- similar to EM shower but different interactions
- π^0 are produced which decay to photons, which then proceed electromagnetically
- neutrons may be made in shower which show no visible energy

dE/dx from Bethe Bloch

e- will create Bremsstrahlung, e^+e^-

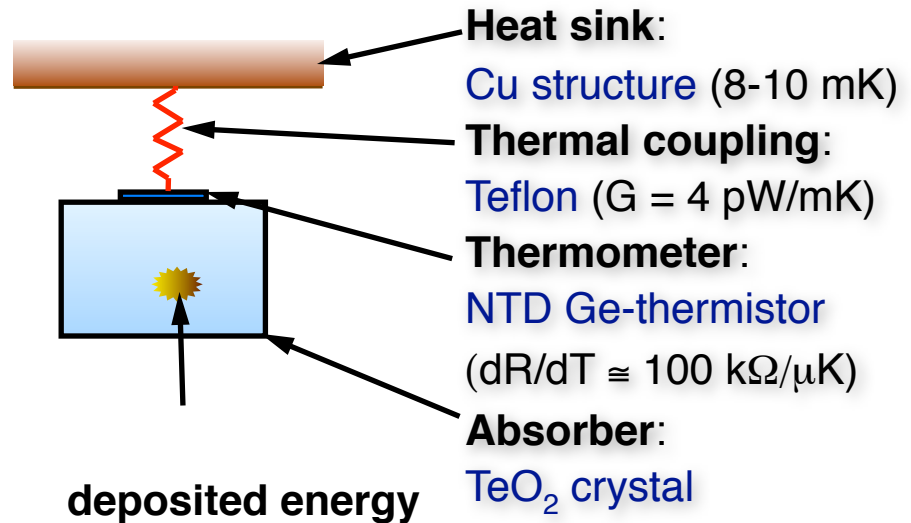
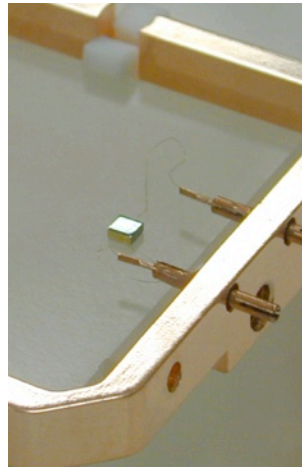
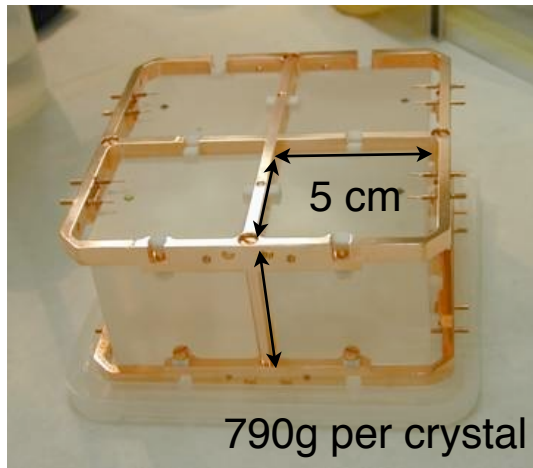
Neutrino Detection and Particle Signatures

Cherenkov Light



Neutrino Detection and Particle Signatures

Bolometric Signal



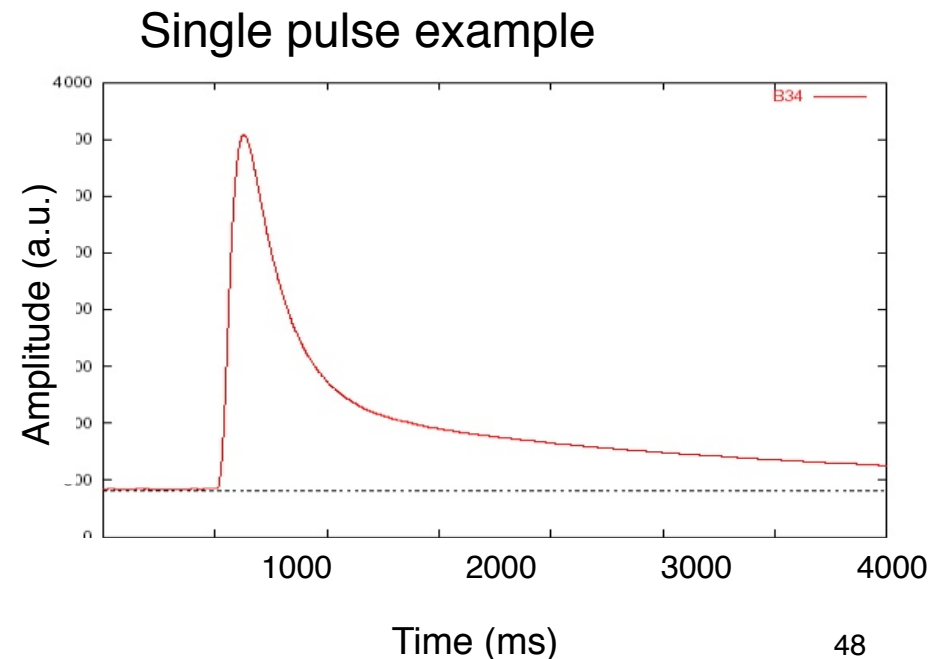
TeO₂ Bolometer: Source = Detector

For $E = 1 \text{ MeV}$: $\Delta T = E/C \approx 0.1 \text{ mK}$
Signal size: 1 mV

voltage signal \propto energy deposited

Time constant: $\tau = C/G = 0.5 \text{ s}$

Energy resolution: $\sim 5\text{-}10 \text{ keV}$ at 2.5 MeV

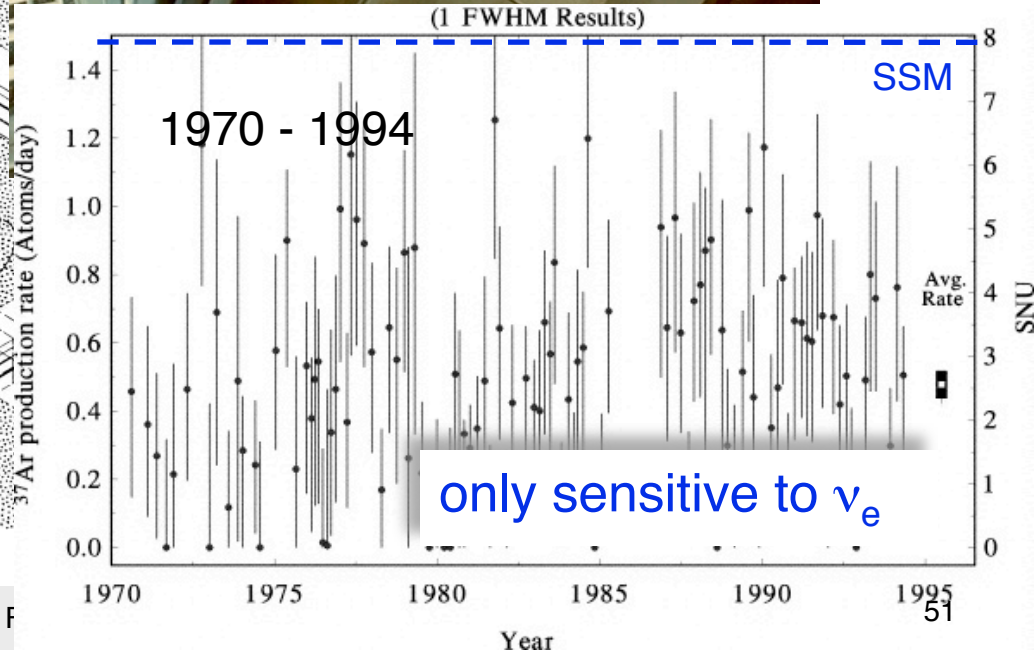
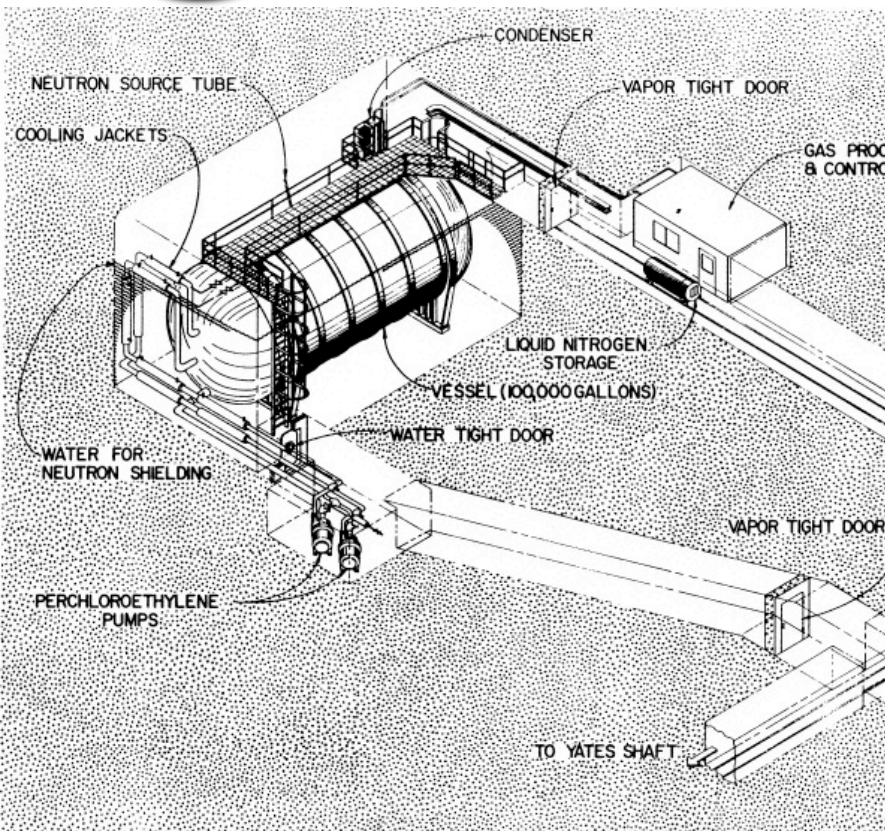
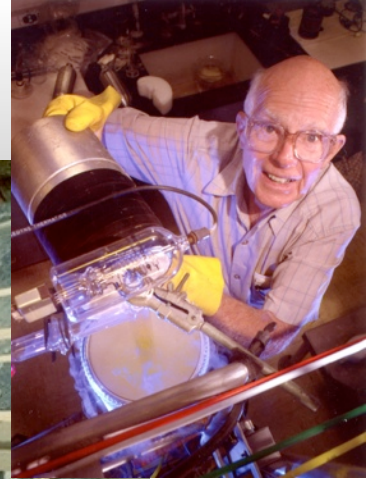
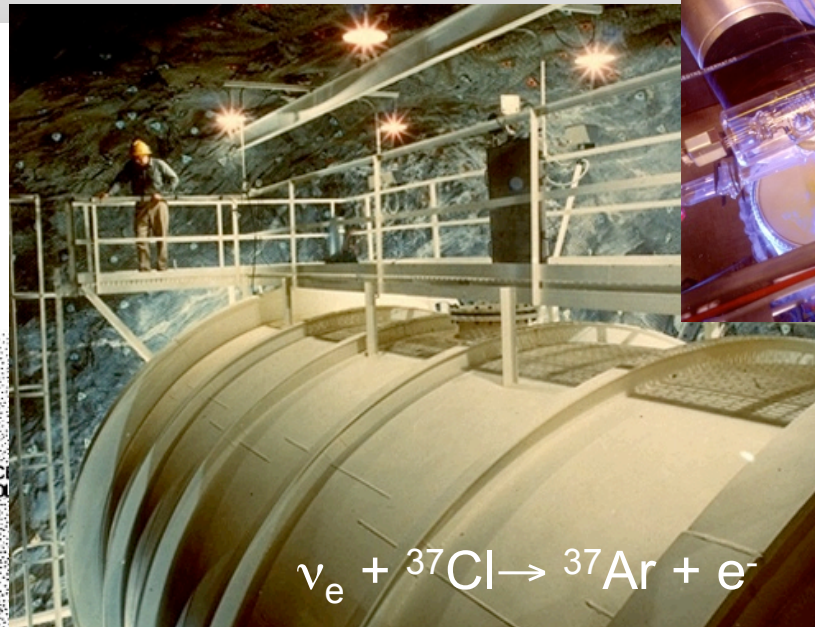


Neutrino Detection and Physics Goals

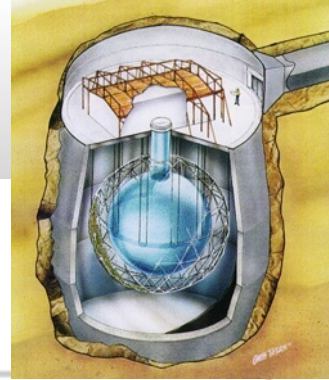
- **Neutrino Oscillation Measurement**
 - identify flavor of neutrino
 - unique flavor channels (e.g. SNO)
 - lepton identification (e.g. accelerator)
 - measure energy
- **Neutrino Interaction Measurement**
 - measure different interaction channels
 - measure total energy of events (all final states)
 - identify neutrino vs antineutrinos
 - initial and final nucleus (for nuclear effects)

Detectors in Neutrino Physics: Present and Future

Cl-Ar Solar Neutrino Experiment at Homestake

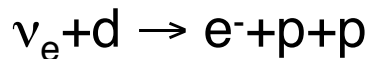


Neutrino Detection in SNO



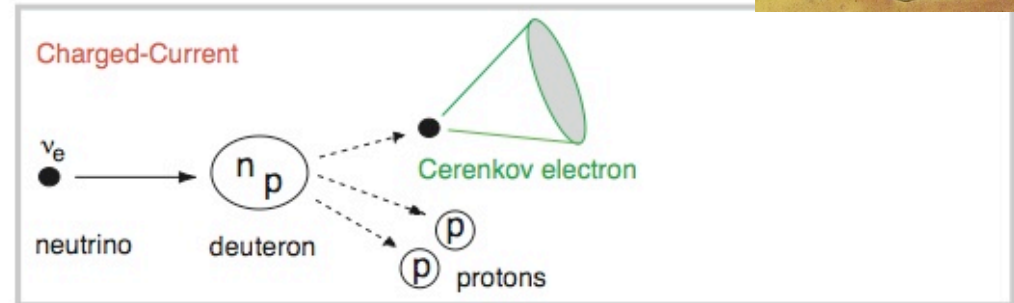
Neutrino Interactions on Deuterium and their Flavor Sensitivity

Charged-Current (CC)

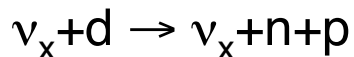


$$E_{\text{thresh}} = 1.4 \text{ MeV}$$

Measurement of energy spectrum

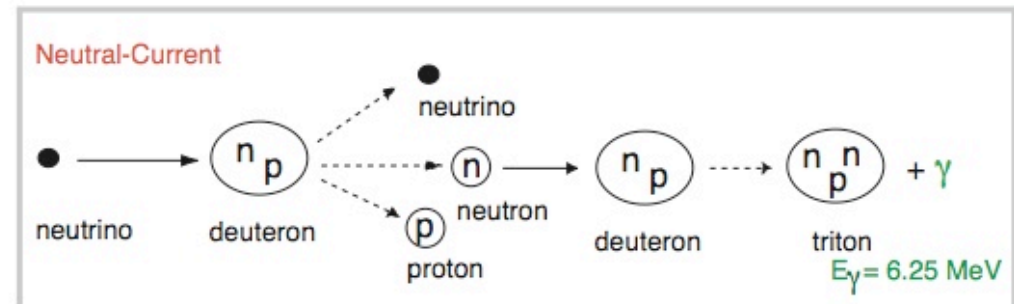


Neutral-Current (NC)

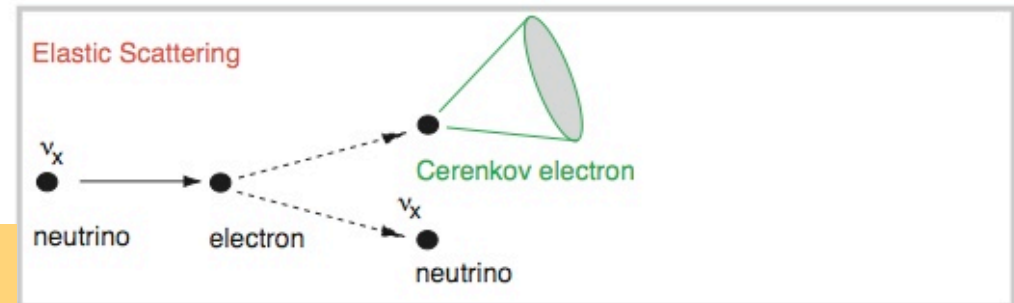


$$E_{\text{thresh}} = 2.2 \text{ MeV}$$

Measures total ^8B flux from Sun

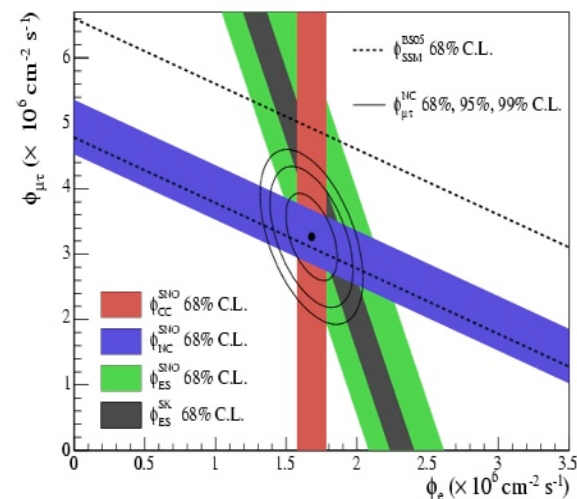
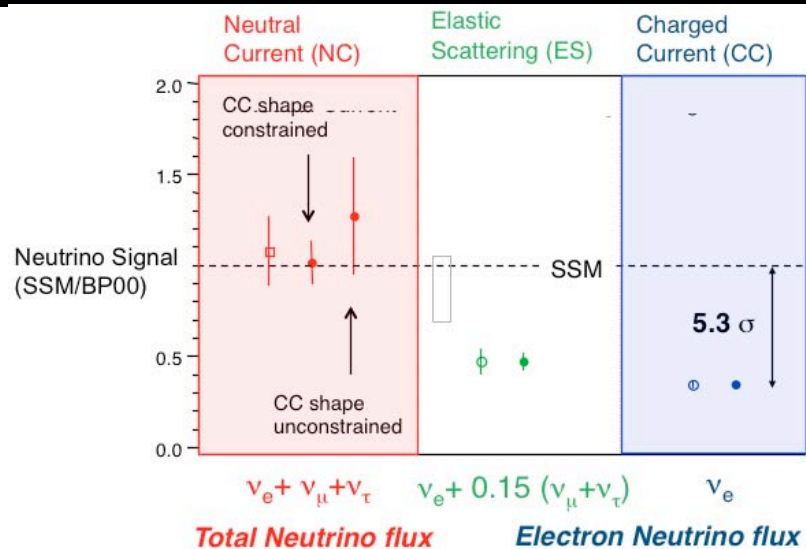
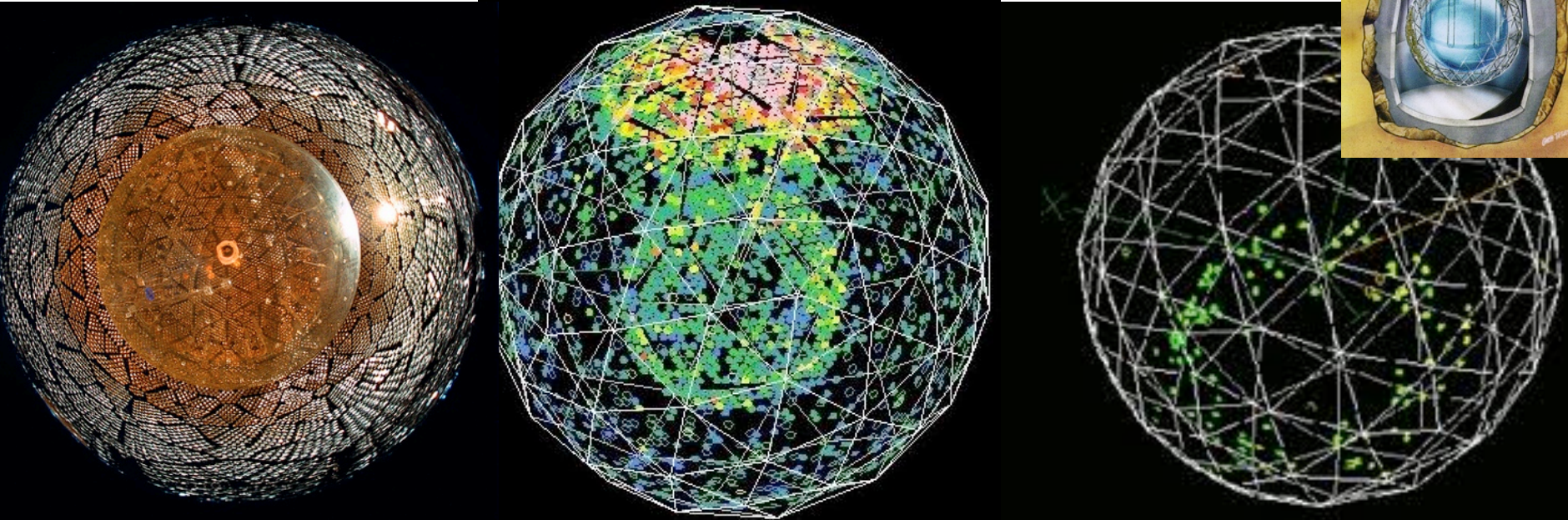
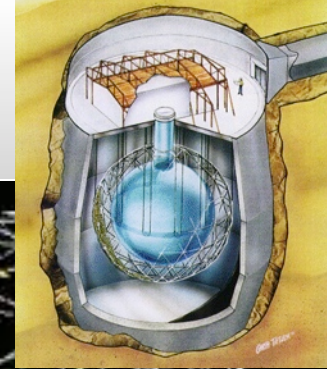


Elastic Scattering (ES)



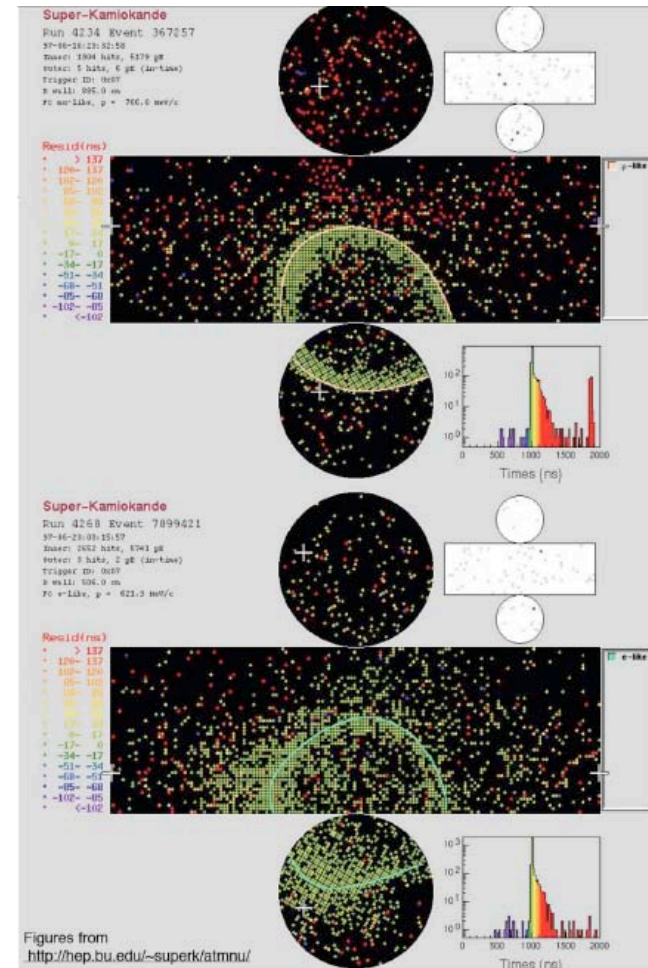
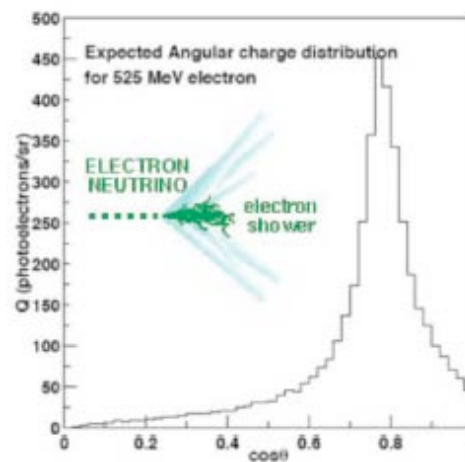
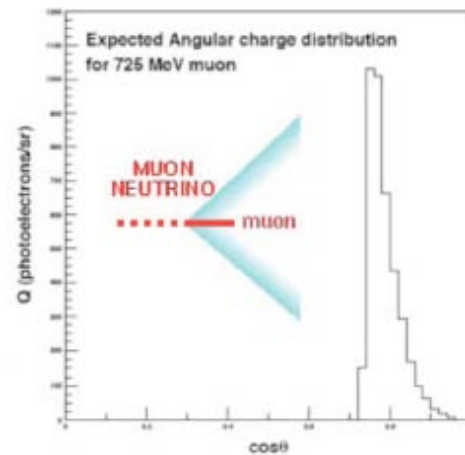
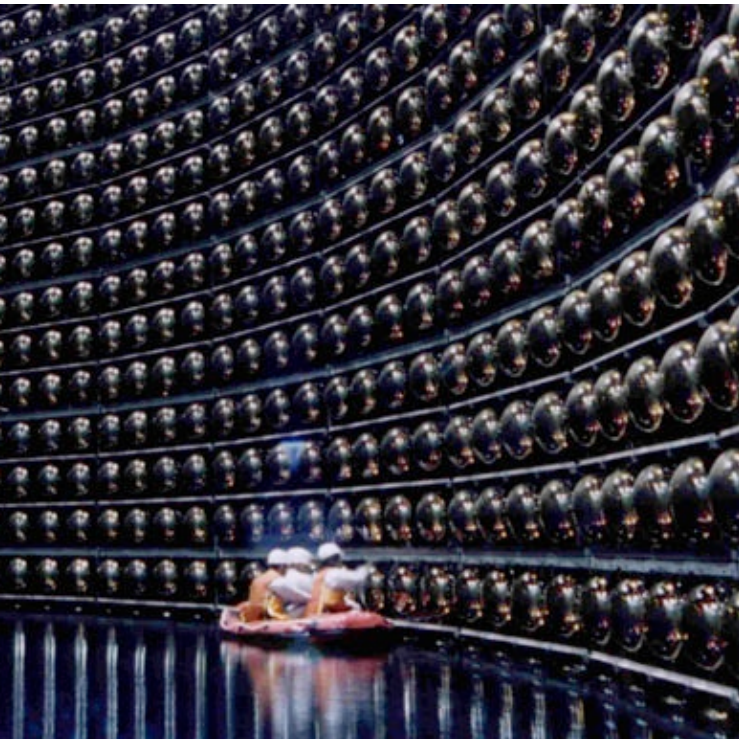
sensitivity to all neutrino flavors

Neutrino Detection in SNO

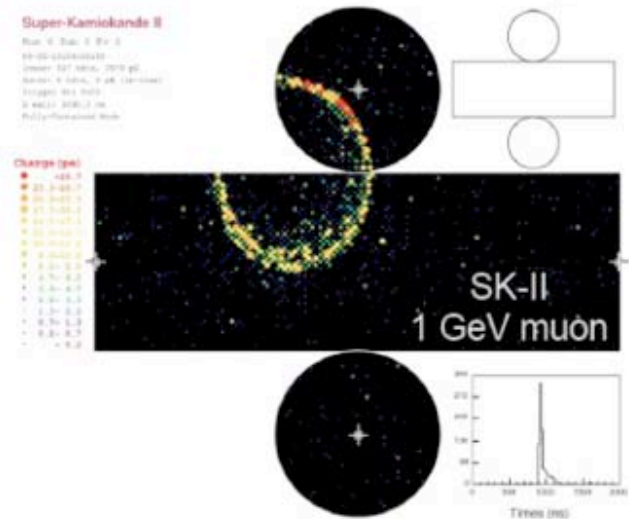
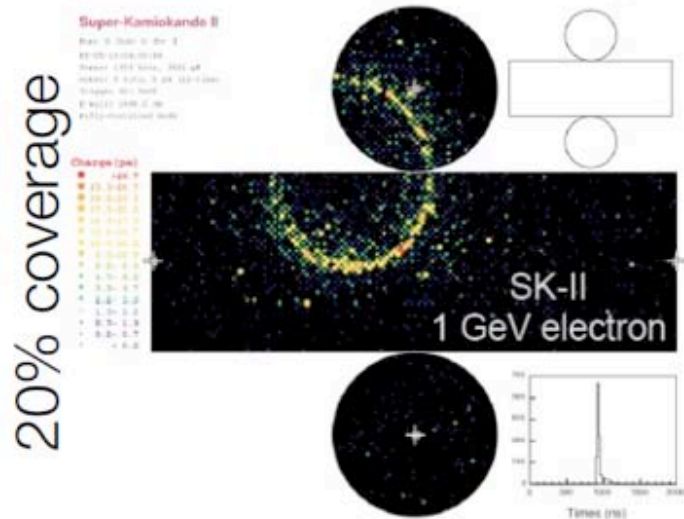
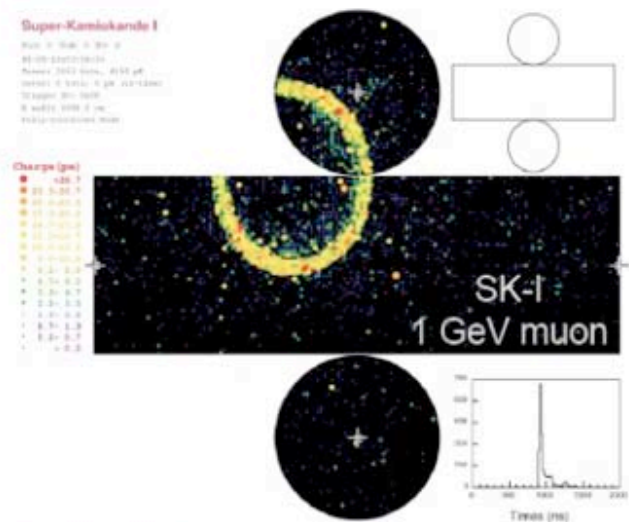
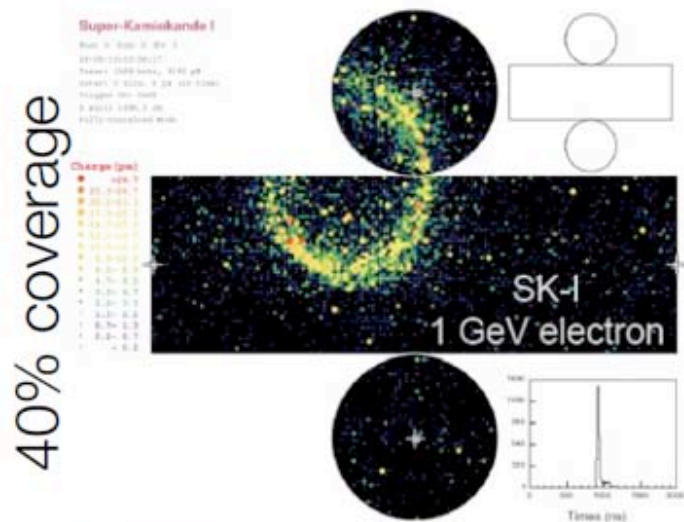


Super-Kamiokande

atmospheric neutrinos

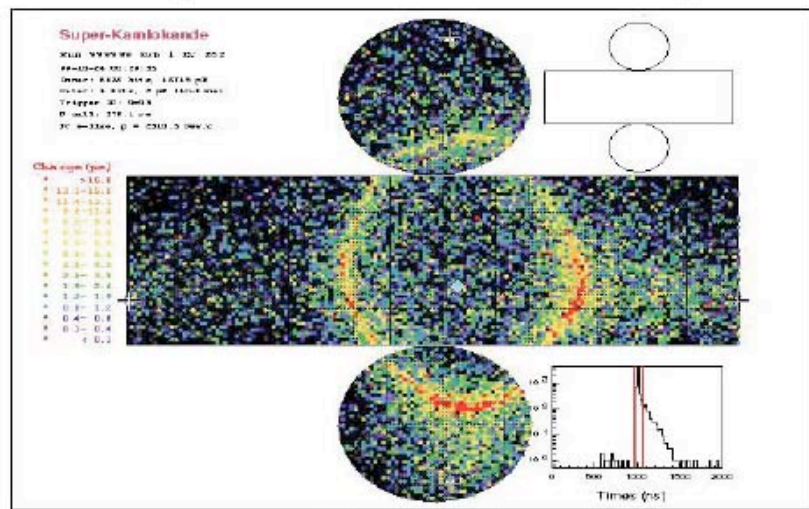


atmospheric neutrinos



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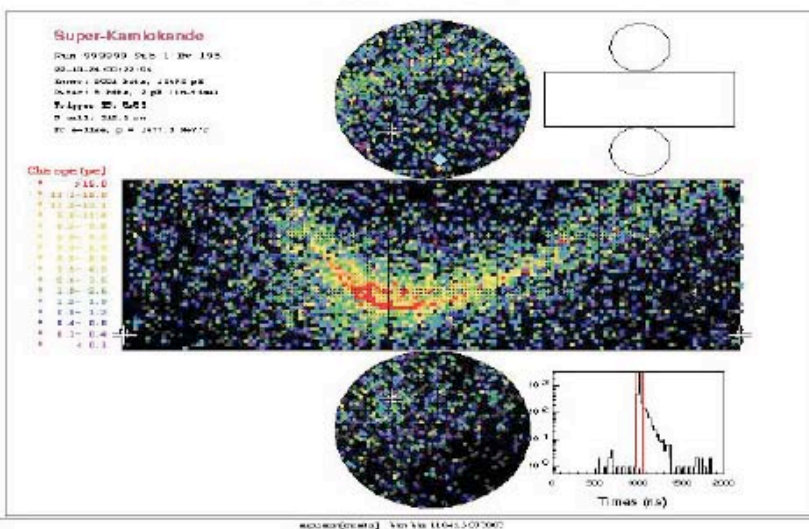
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ν_e CC

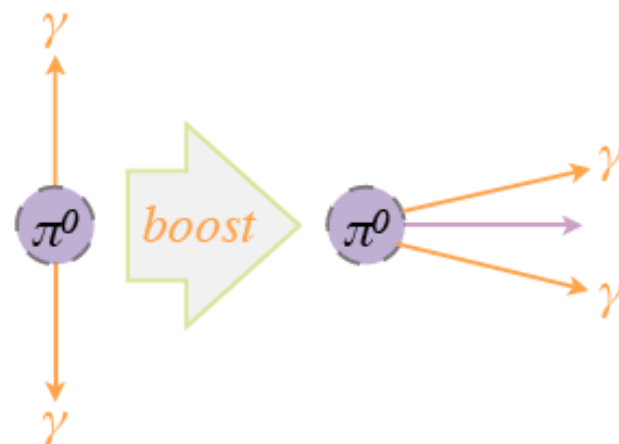
2 GeV visible energy

one is signal, one is background



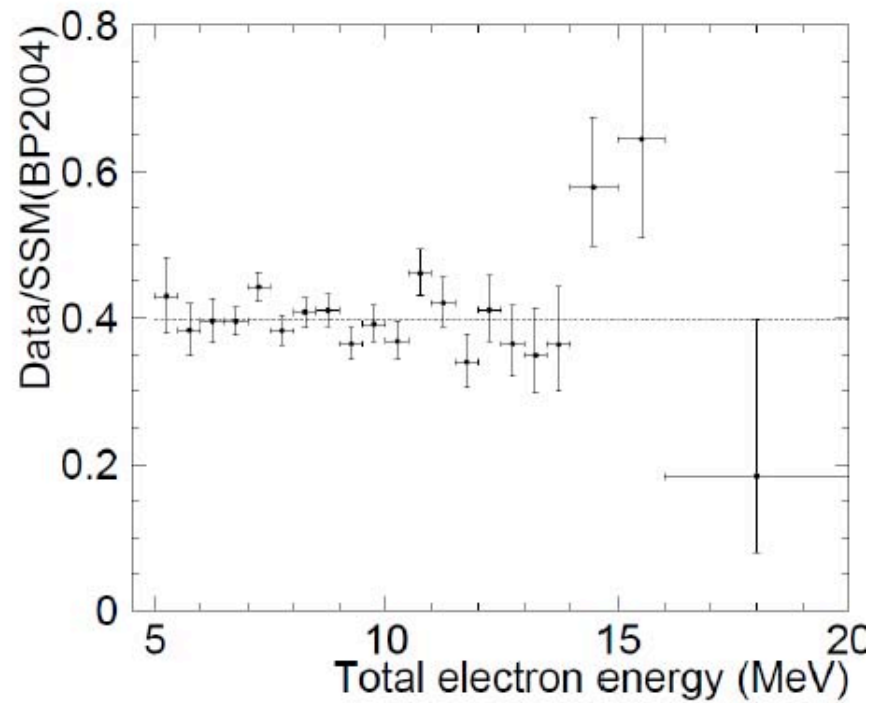
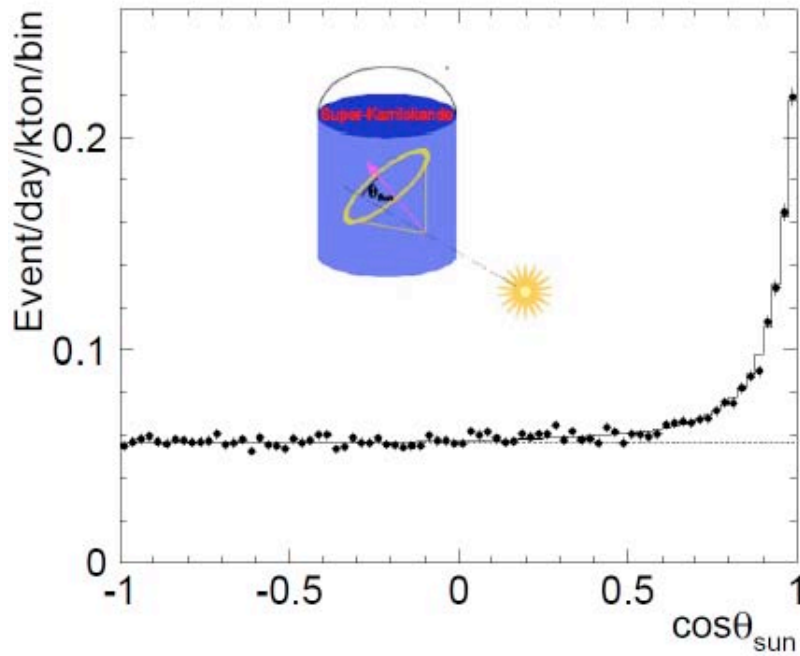
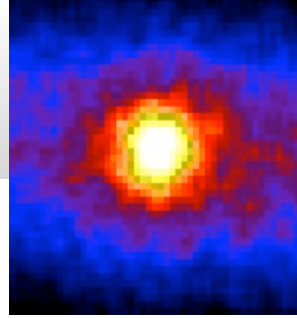
NC π^0

π^0 decay at high energy

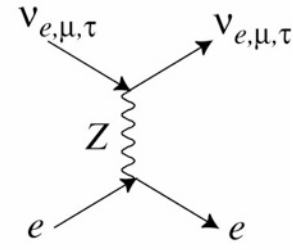
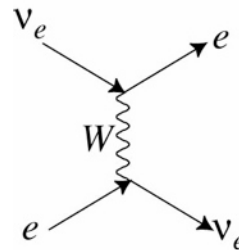


Super-Kamiokande

solar neutrinos



Through electron scattering



MiniBoone

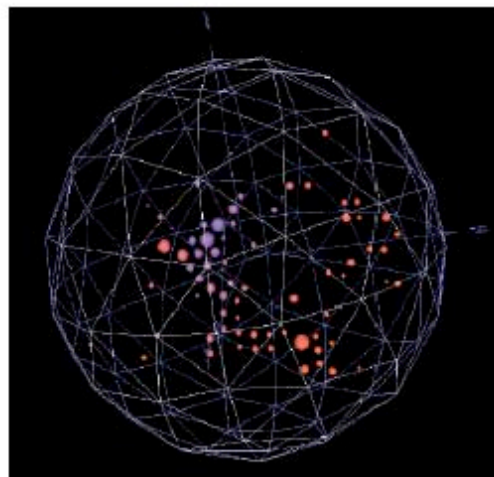
total volume: 800 tons (6 m radius)

fiducial volume: 445 tons (5m radius)

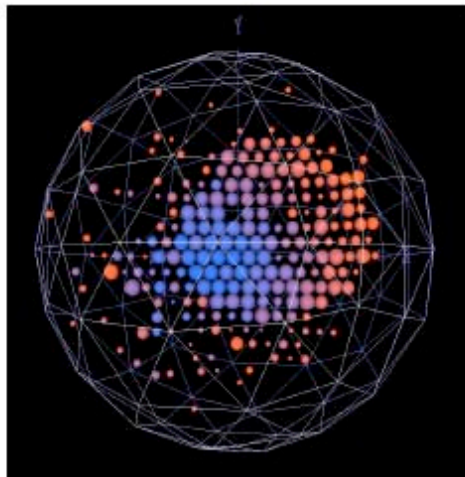
1280 PMTs in detector at 5.5 m radius

10% photocathode coverage

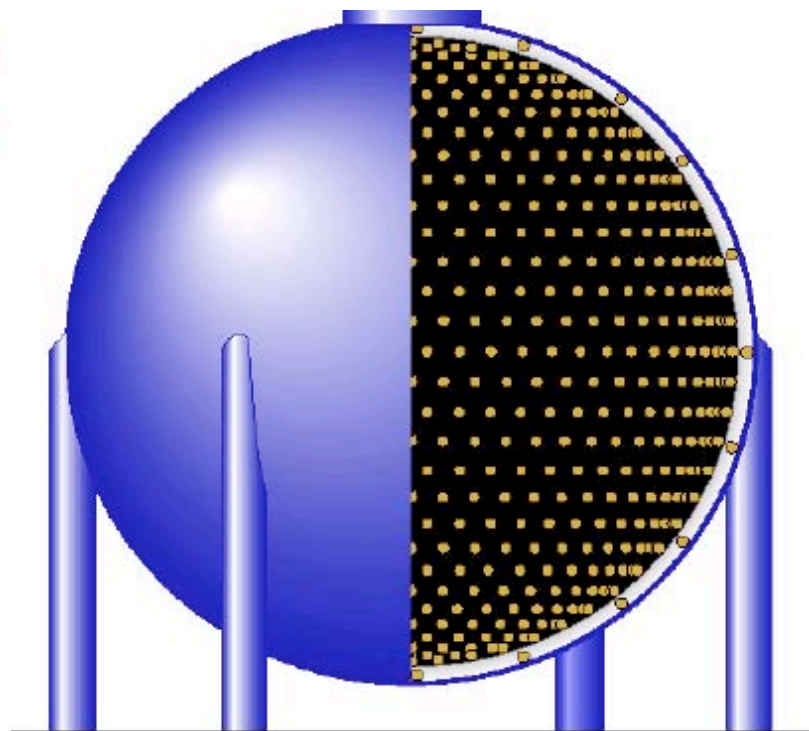
240 PMTs in veto



electron ring



μ ring



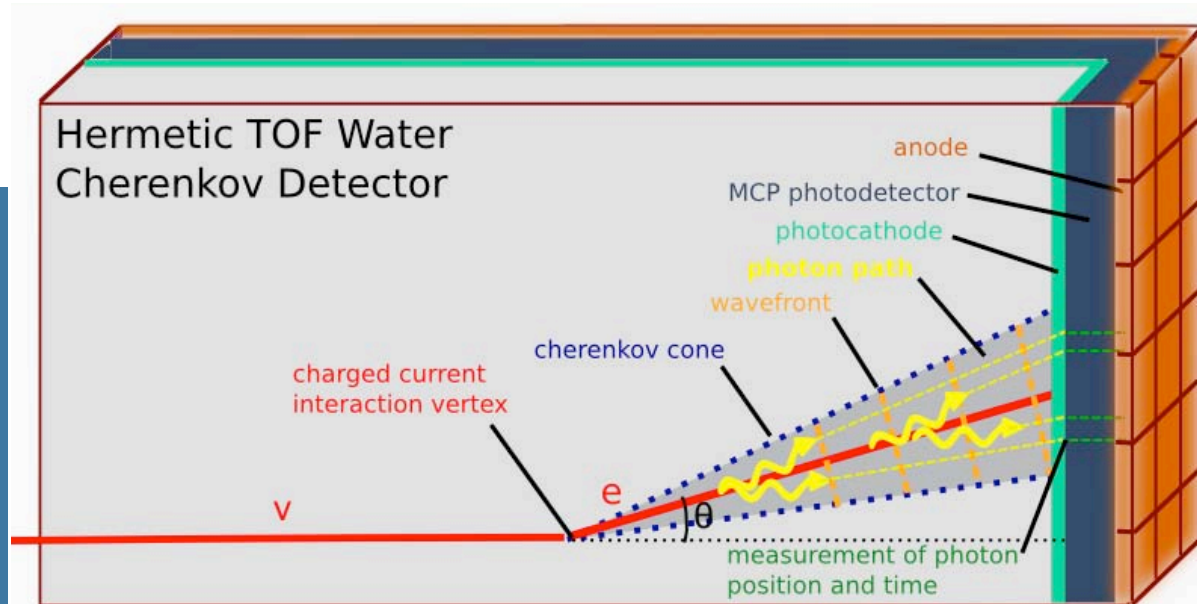
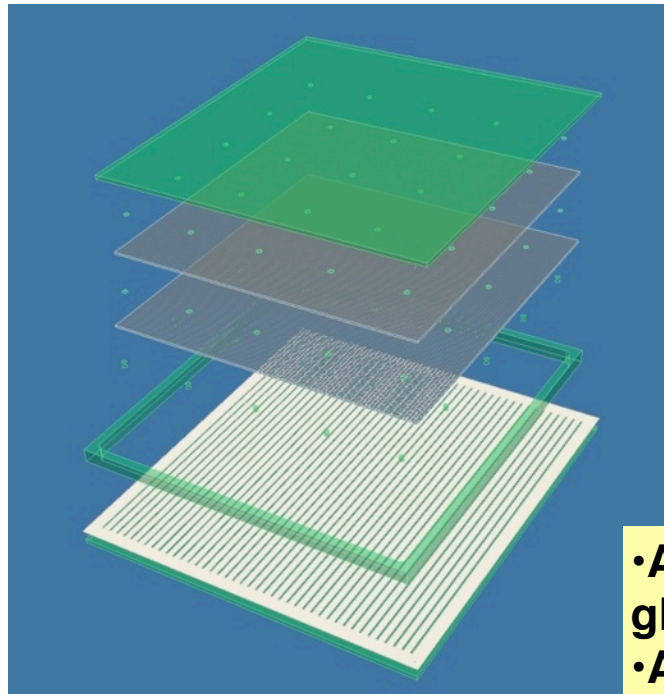
Events courtesy G. Zeller

Cherenkov events in oil

A common issue: photo detection for large water/scintillator/LAr detectors

low cost, single PE, low background,...

- **Large area, low cost MCP**

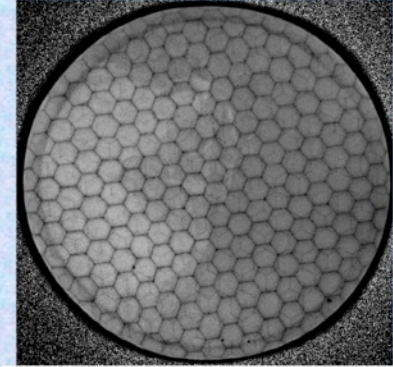
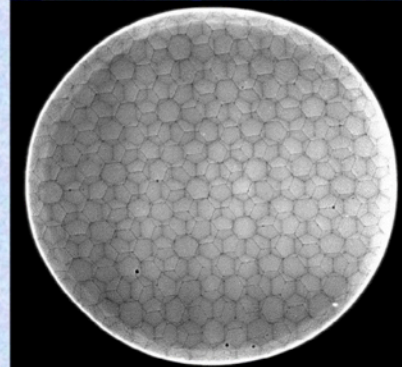


- All (cheap) glass
- Anode is silk-screened

R&D project by Henry Frisch et al.

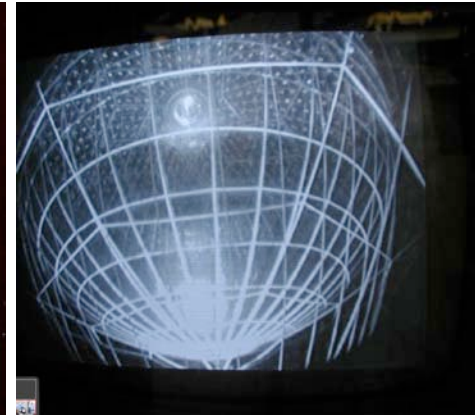
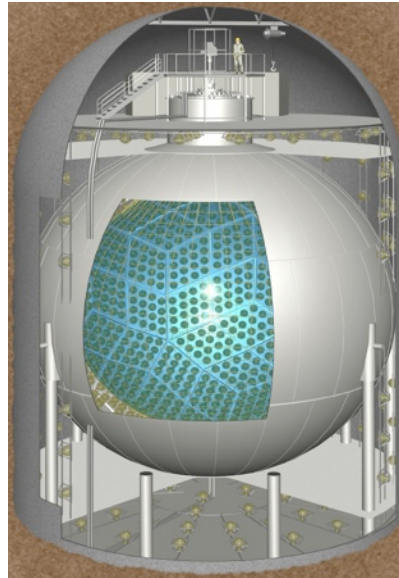


Arradiance ALD/Incom MCP Pair Test
Image - UV 2200v Gain Map - UV

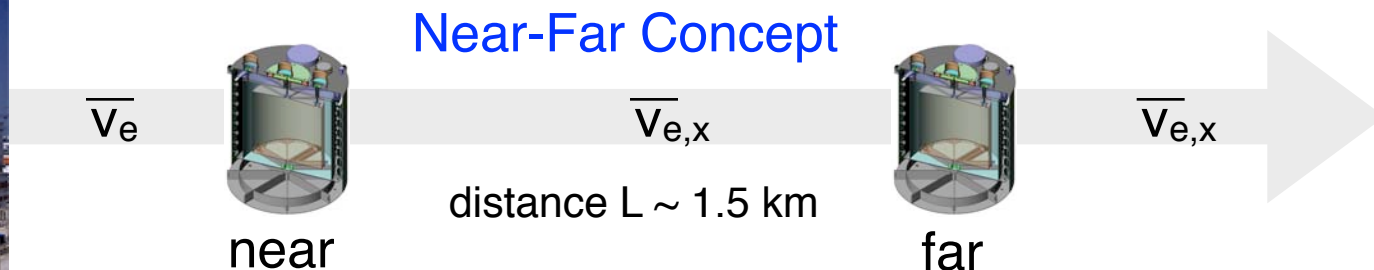


Reactor Neutrino Experiments

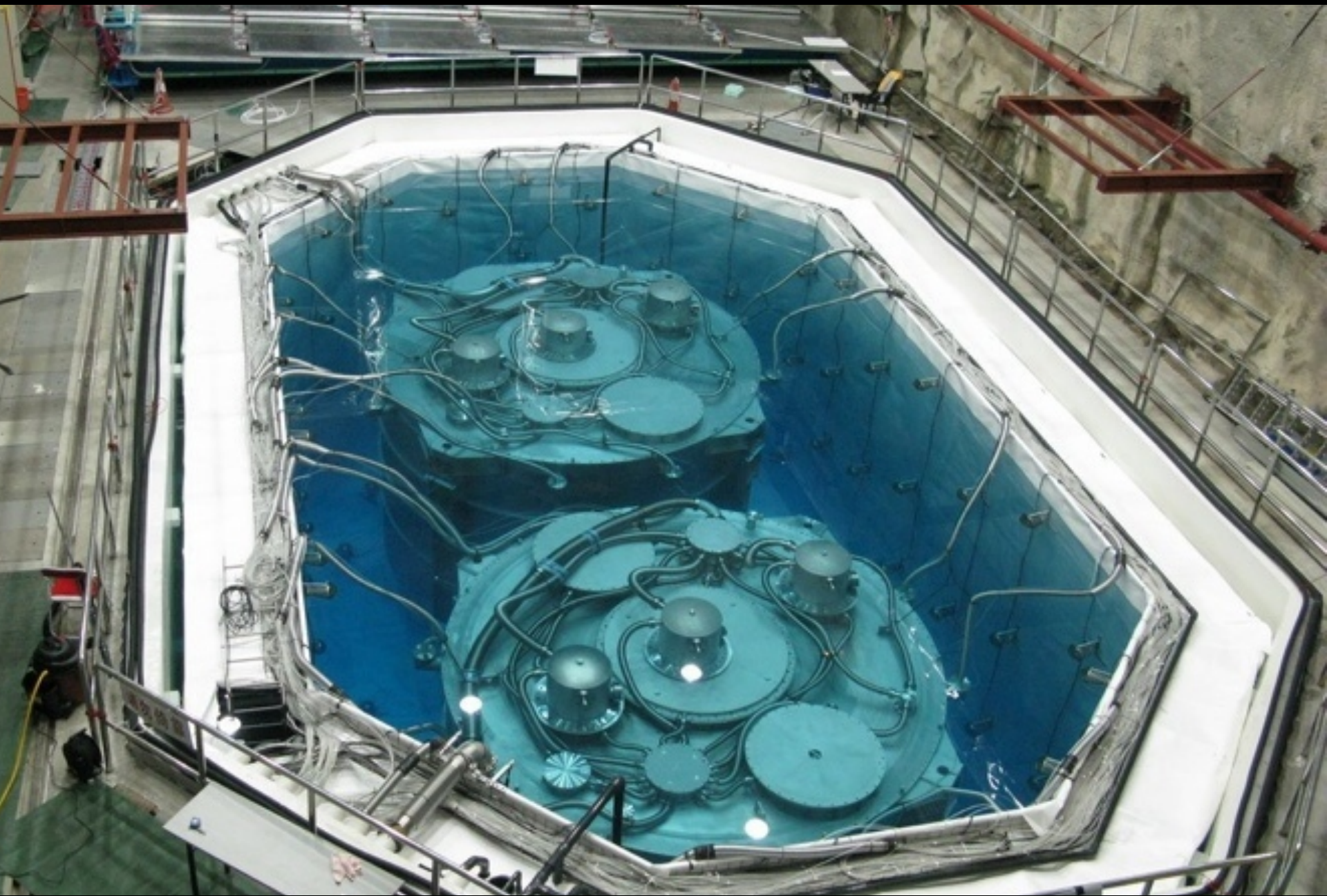
KamLAND



inverse beta decay
 $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$



multiple detectors cancel systematics

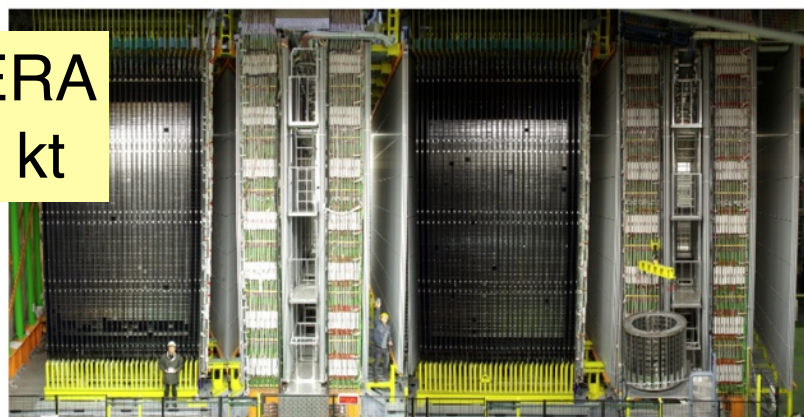


Sampling detectors for neutrino beams

- Absorber: Pb, Fe, ...
- **Sensitive detectors:** Emulsion Films(OPERA), Plastic(MINOS) and Liquid(NOVA) Scintillators, RPC(INO), ...
- **Near detector issues:** hybrid detector system to monitor neutrino/muon flux & beam profile

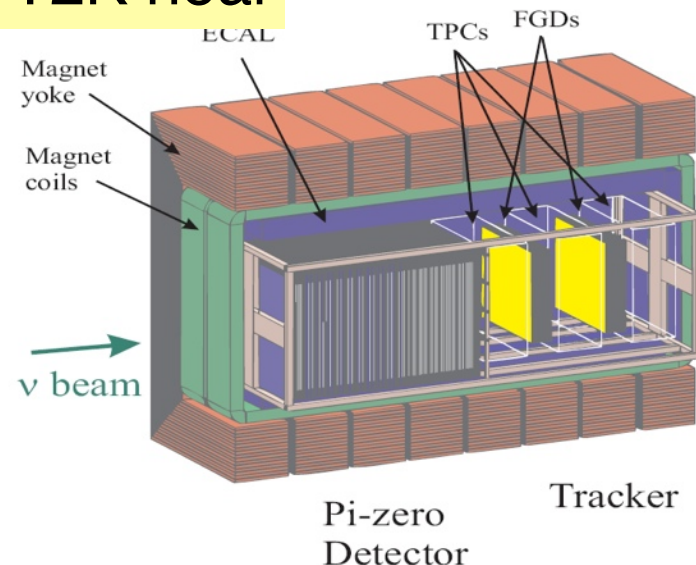
OPERA detector 150,000 ECC 1.25kton target
~3'100 m.w.e. overburden, ~1 cosmic μ / m² x hour

OPERA
1.25 kt

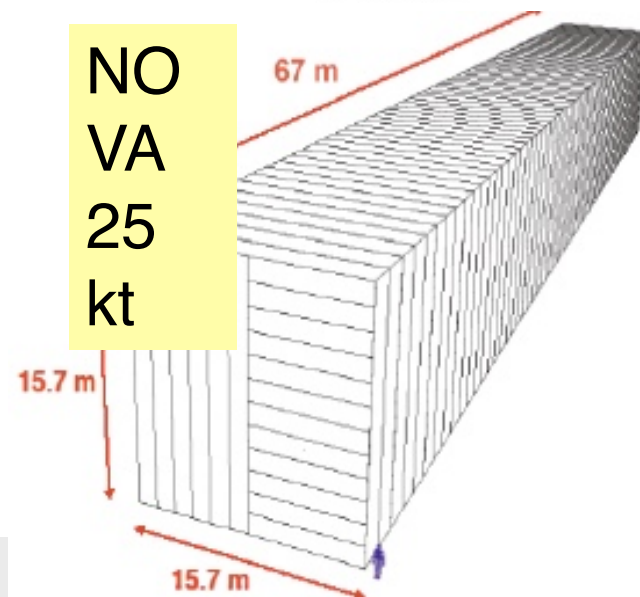


Target area Muon spectrometer

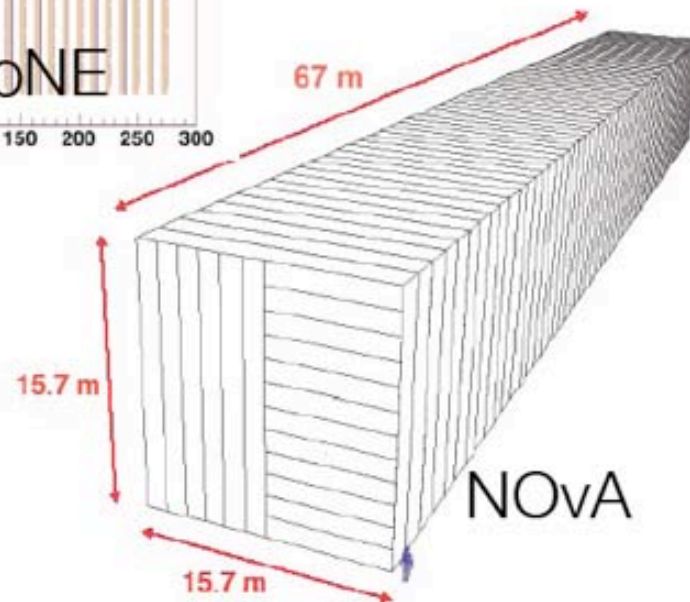
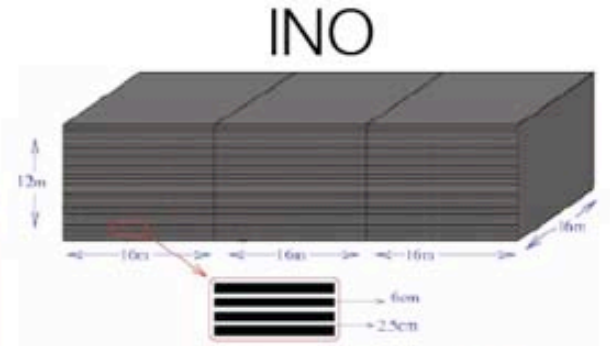
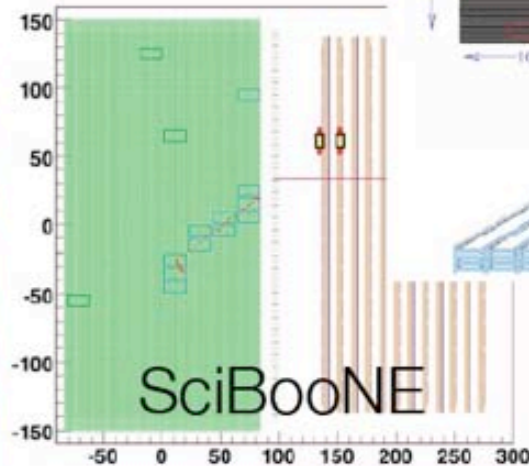
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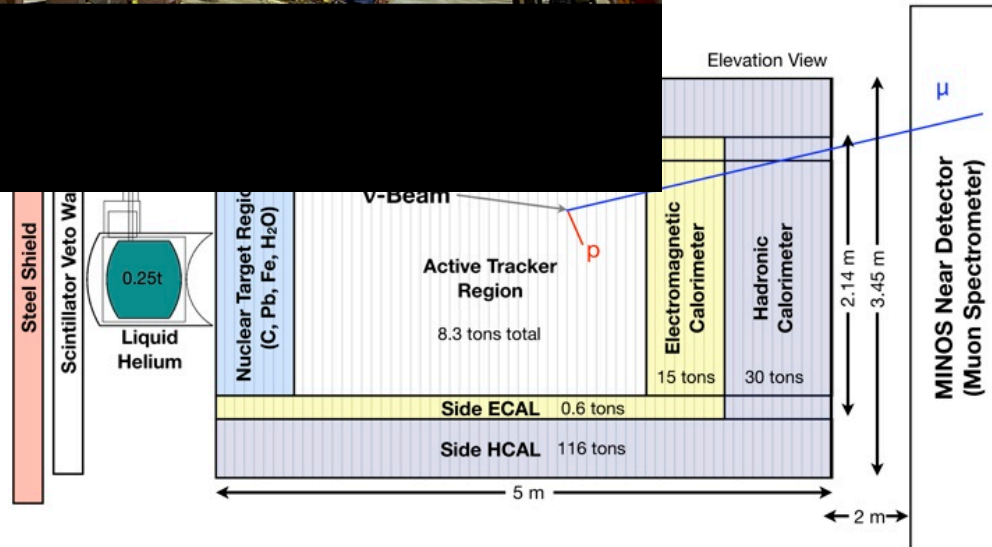
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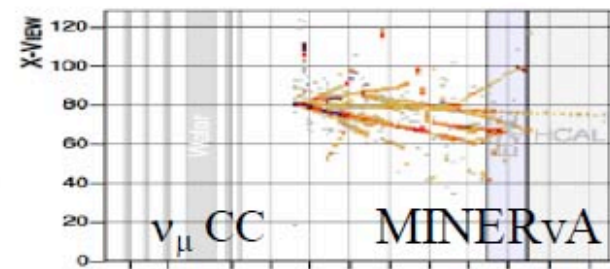
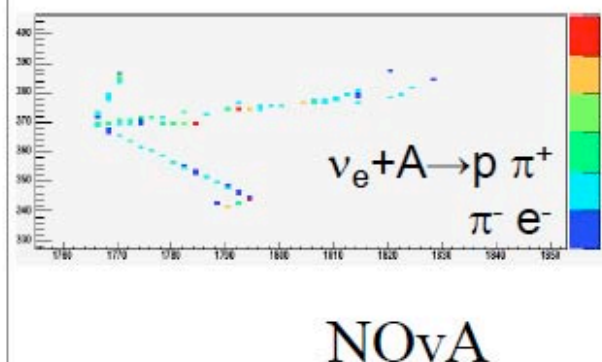
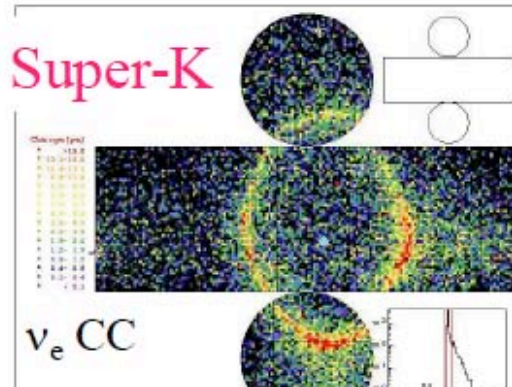
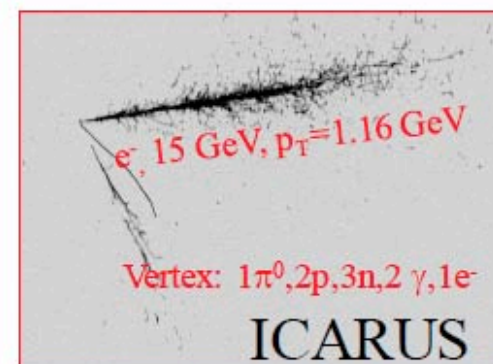
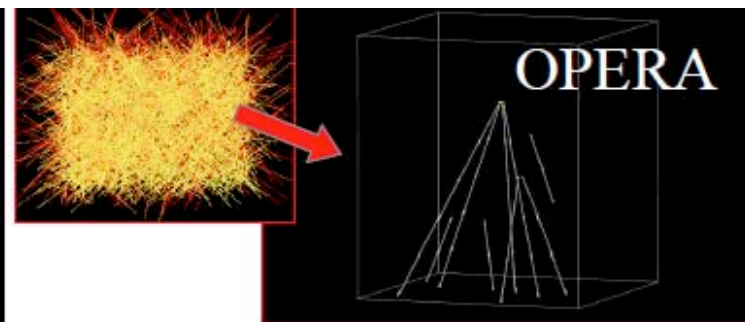


Minerva



Neutrino Detectors

Exp't	ν Energy (GeV)	Detector Technology
MINOS	2-6	Steel Scintillator
MINERvA	1-20	Solid Scintillator
OPERA	15-25	Emulsion-Lead
ICARUS	15-25	Liquid Argon TPC
T2K	0.7	Water Cerenkov
NOvA	2	Segmented Scintillator



LAr TPC Concept

To be applicable to neutrino experiments higher density is required. Use liquid Ar instead of gas. Has potential to reach very large masses (100 kt) with \sim mm granularity.

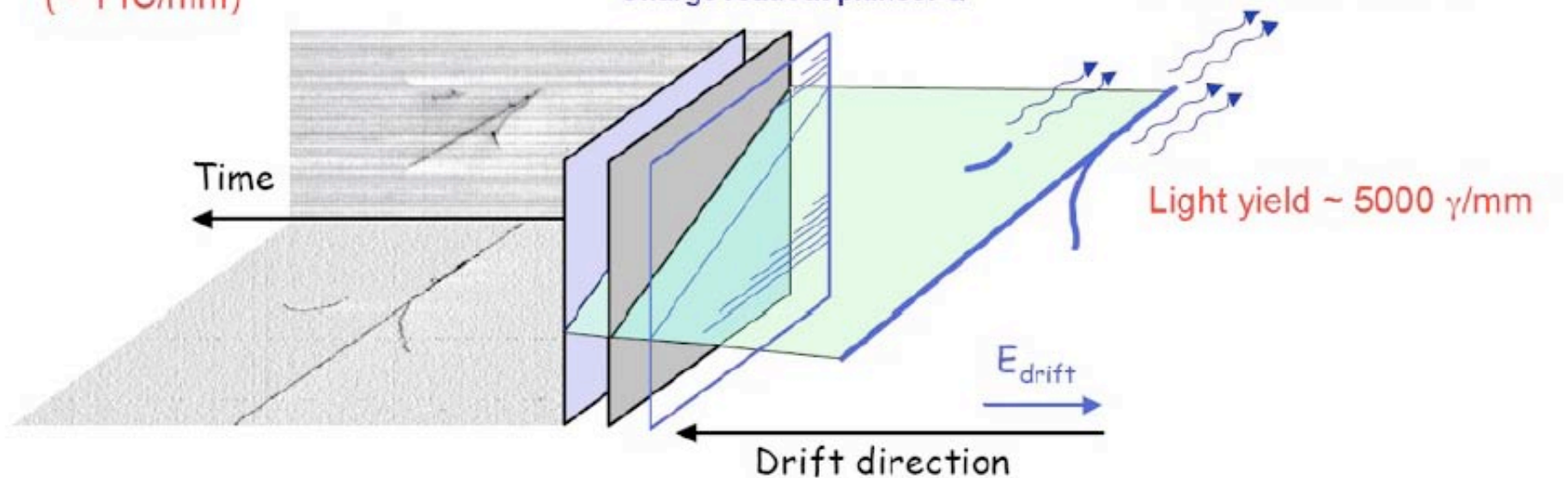
- Boiling point: 87 K (compare to N_2 77 K)
- Density 1.4 g/cc
- Interaction length: 114 cm
- Radiation length: 14 cm
- Moliere radius: 7 cm

Charge yield \sim 6000 electrons/mm
(\sim 1 fC/mm)

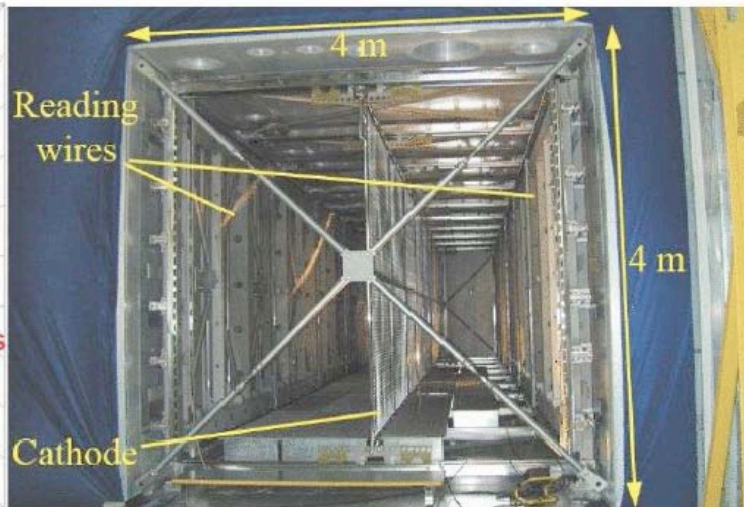
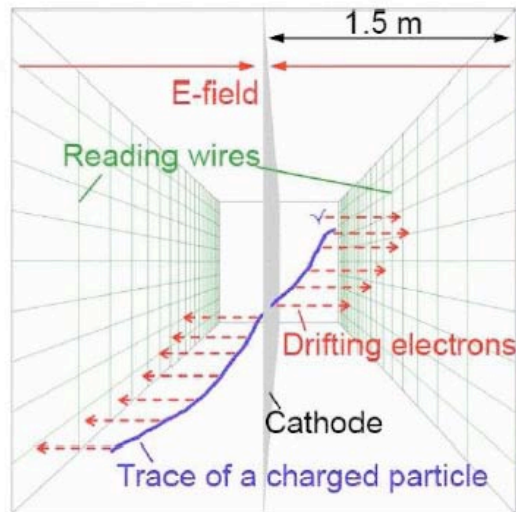
Charge readout planes: Q

used to trigger and set to
UV Scintillation Light: L

Light yield \sim 5000 γ /mm

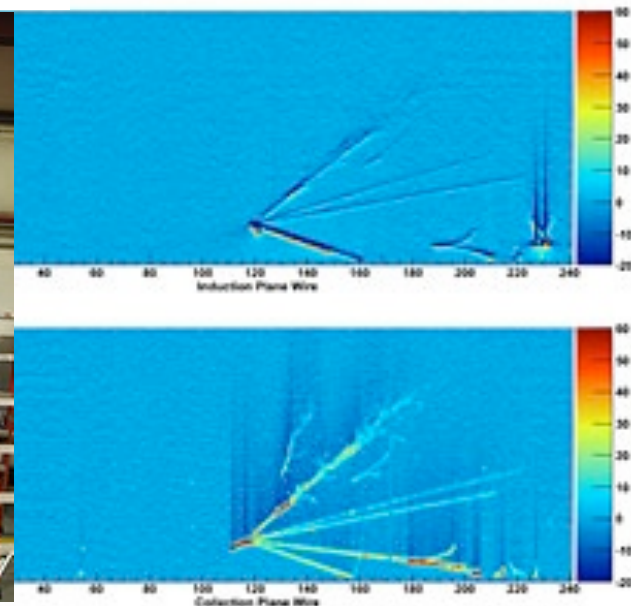
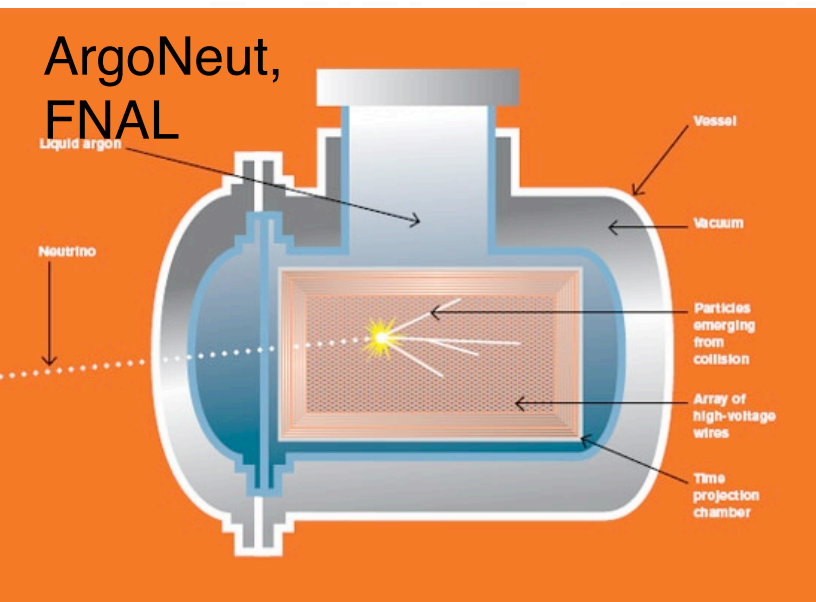


LAr Detectors



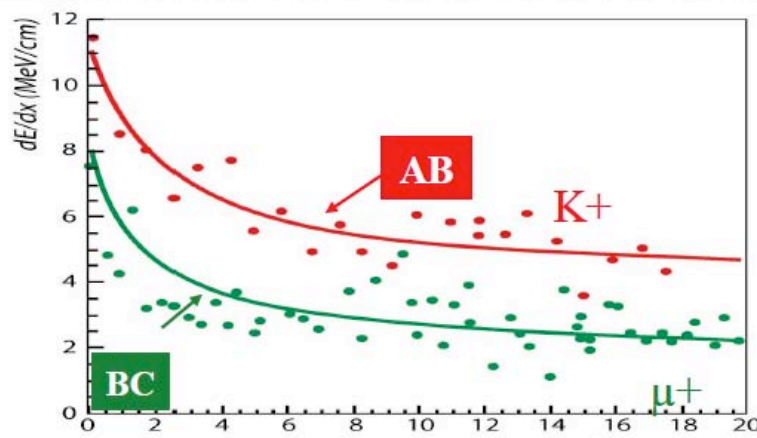
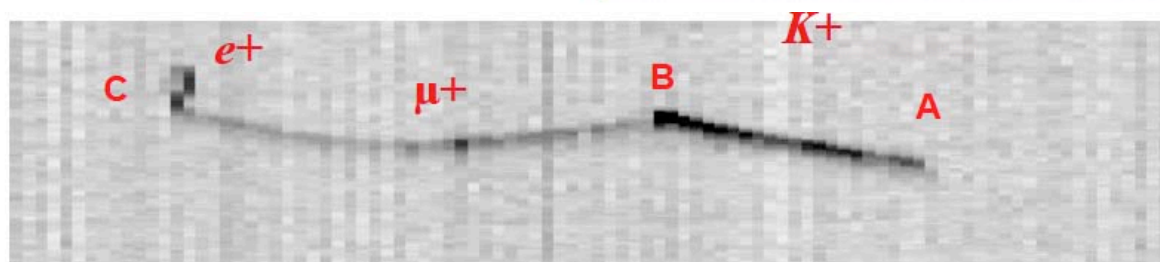
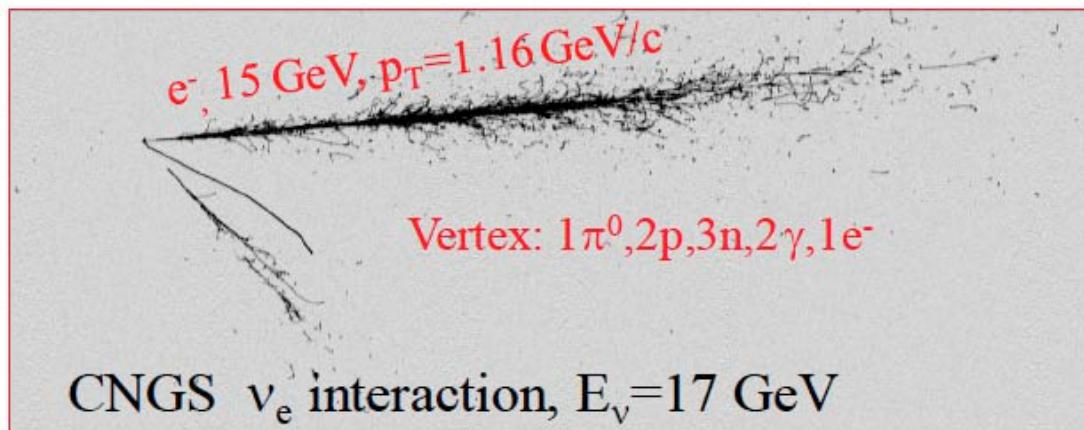
A.M. de la Ossa Romero, hep-ex/0703026

Icarus T300



LAr Detectors - Lots of Event Information

Courtesy
André
Rubbia



for a single event, see dE/dx versus momentum (range)

Run 939 Event 46

Detector Comparison

Technology Choice is a Trade-Off

Detector Technology	Largest Mass to Date (kton)	Event by Event Identification			+/-?	Ideal ν Energy Range
		ν_e	ν_μ	ν_τ		
LAR TPC	0.6	✓	✓		Not yet	huge
Water Cerenkov	50	✓	✓			<2GeV
Emulsion/Pb/Fe	0.27	✓	✓	✓		>.5GeV
Scintillator++	1 or less	✓	✓			huge
Steel/Scint.	5.4		✓		✓	>.5GeV

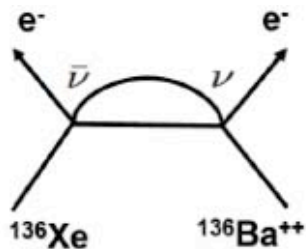
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requirements for next-generation detectors

- signal efficiency
- background rejection (NC)
- probe new/other physics

TPC Experiments

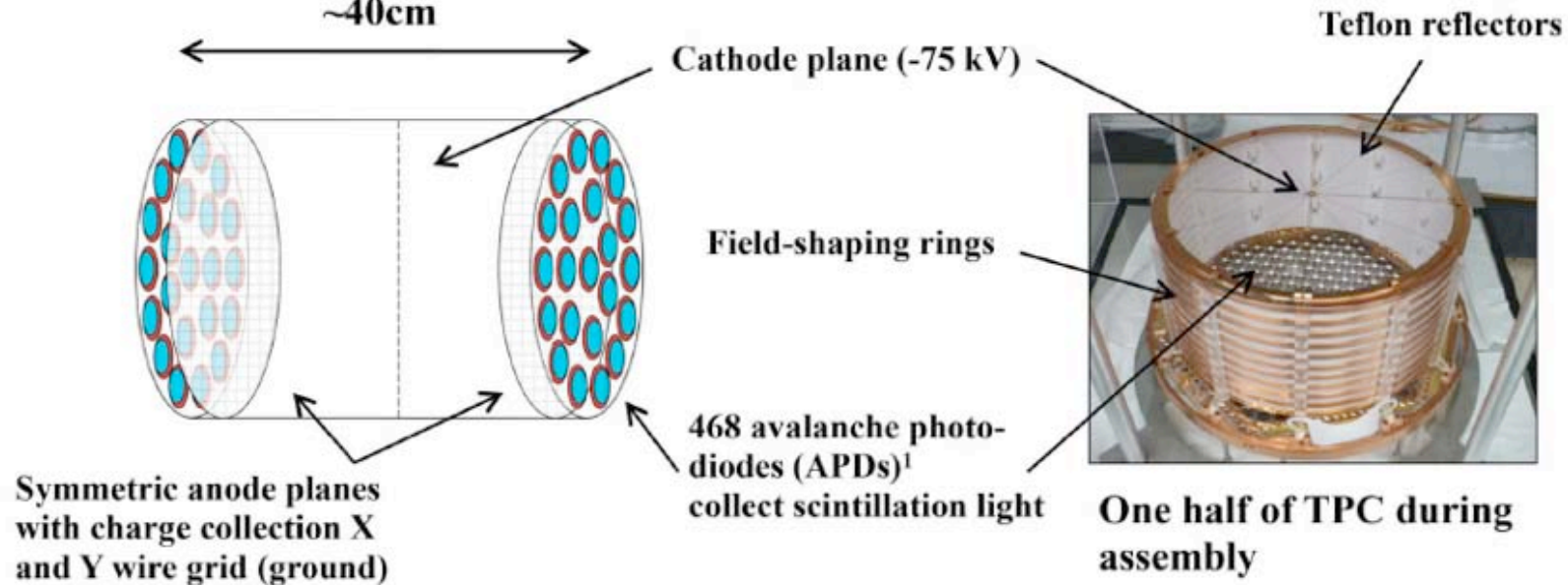
EXO - Search for $0\nu\beta\beta$ in ^{136}Xe



Presently have 200 kg of 80% enriched ^{136}Xe

LXe TPC

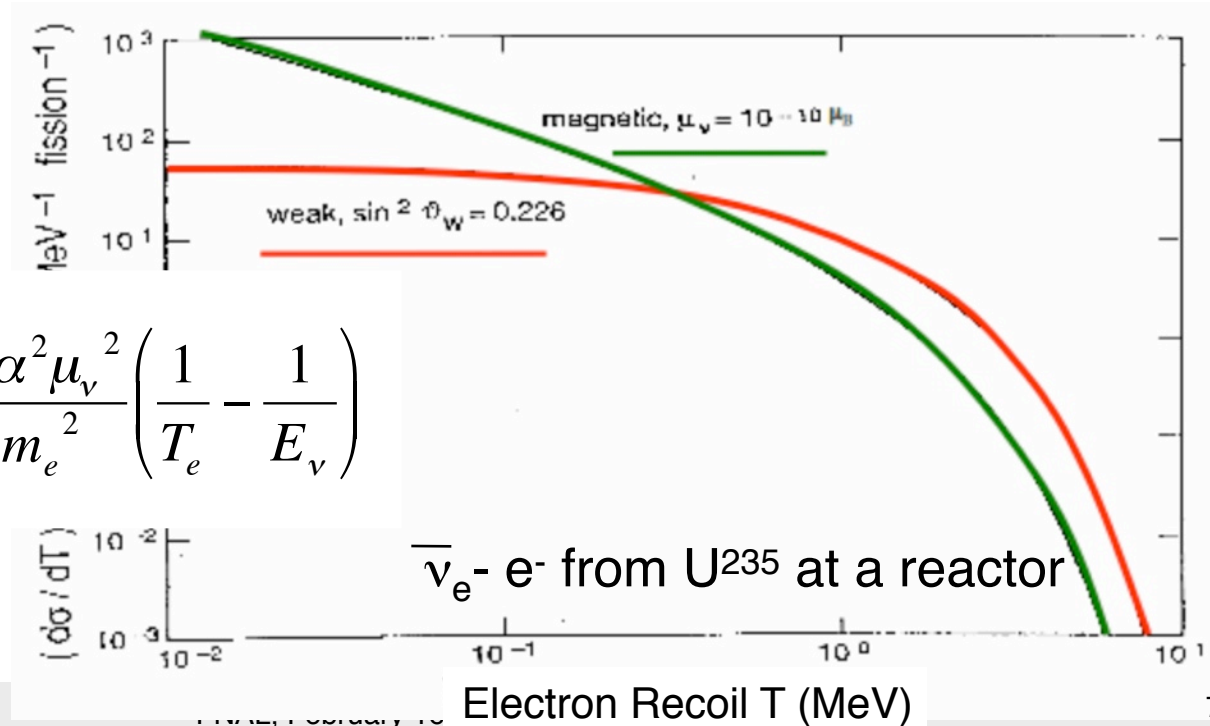
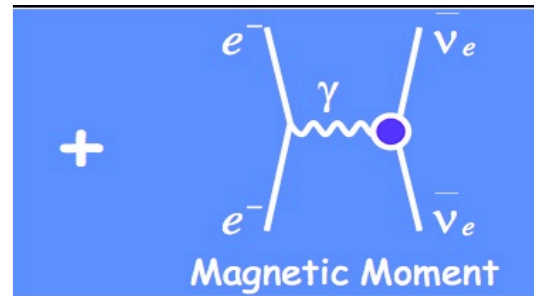
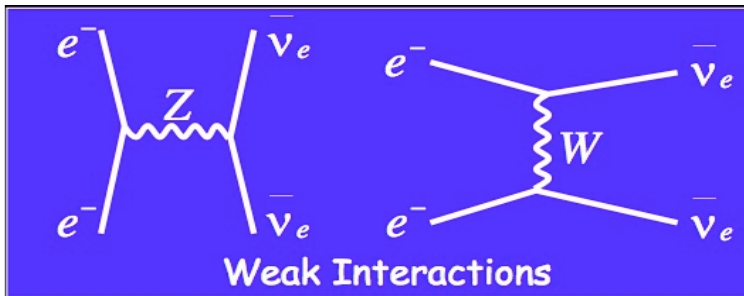
~40cm



R&D on Barium tagging

TPC Experiments

What about a Neutrino Magnetic Moment?

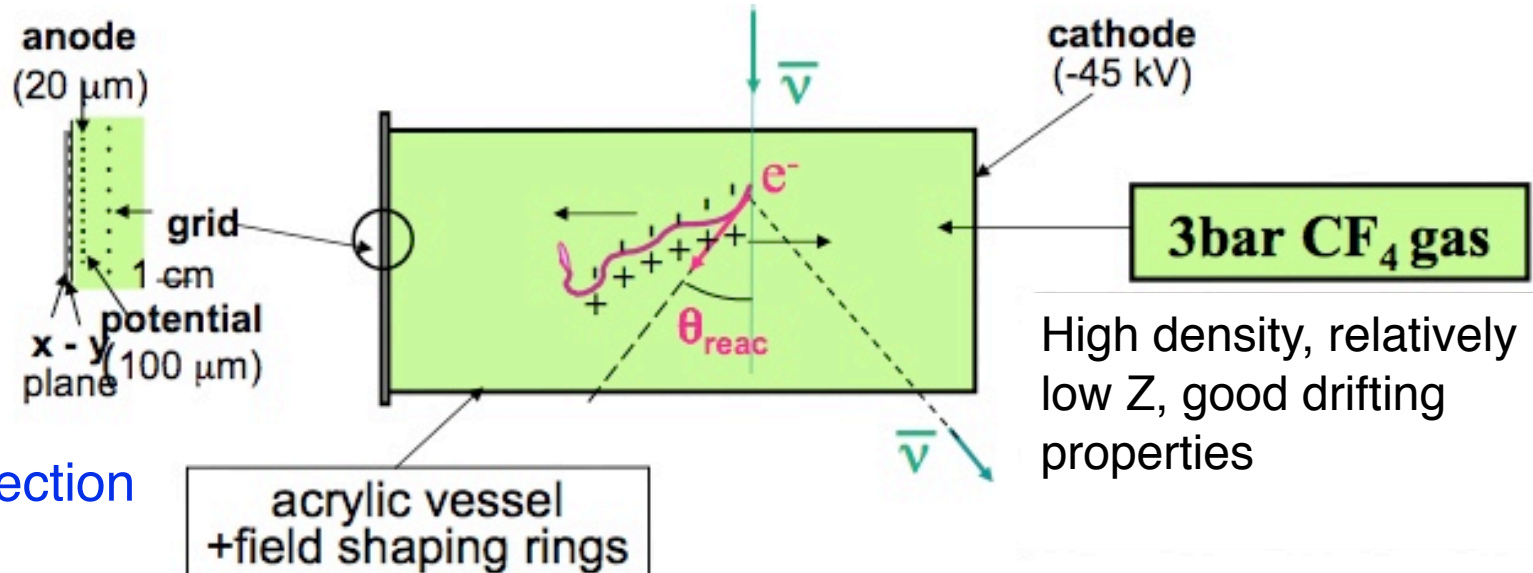


$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT_e} = \text{weak int} + \frac{\pi \alpha^2 \mu_\nu^2}{m_e^2} \left(\frac{1}{T_e} - \frac{1}{E_\nu} \right)$$

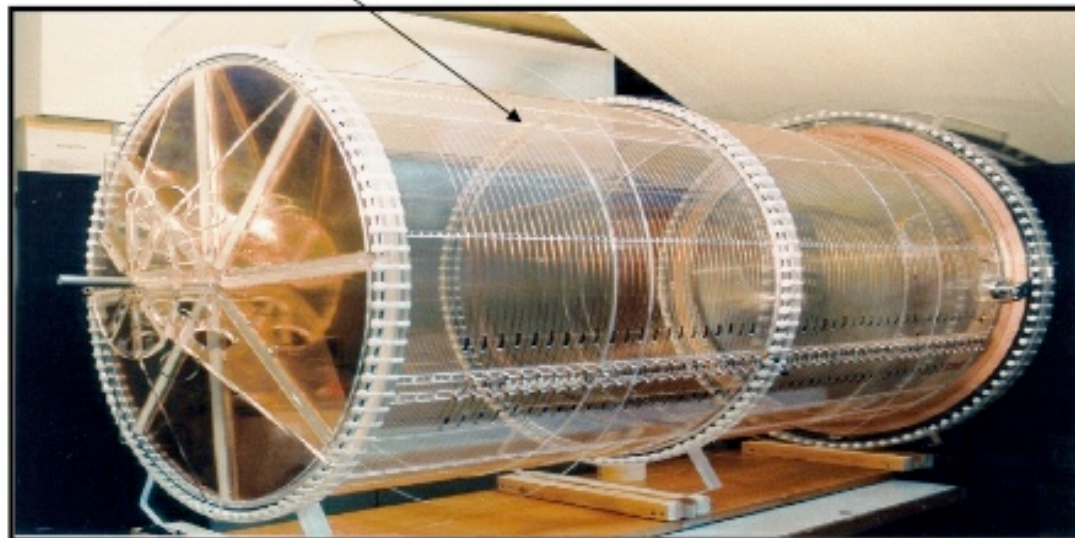
TPC Experiments

Low Electron Recoil Energy Experiment

Experiment at Nuclear Reactors
(low energy source of $\bar{\nu}_e$)



Time Projection
Chamber



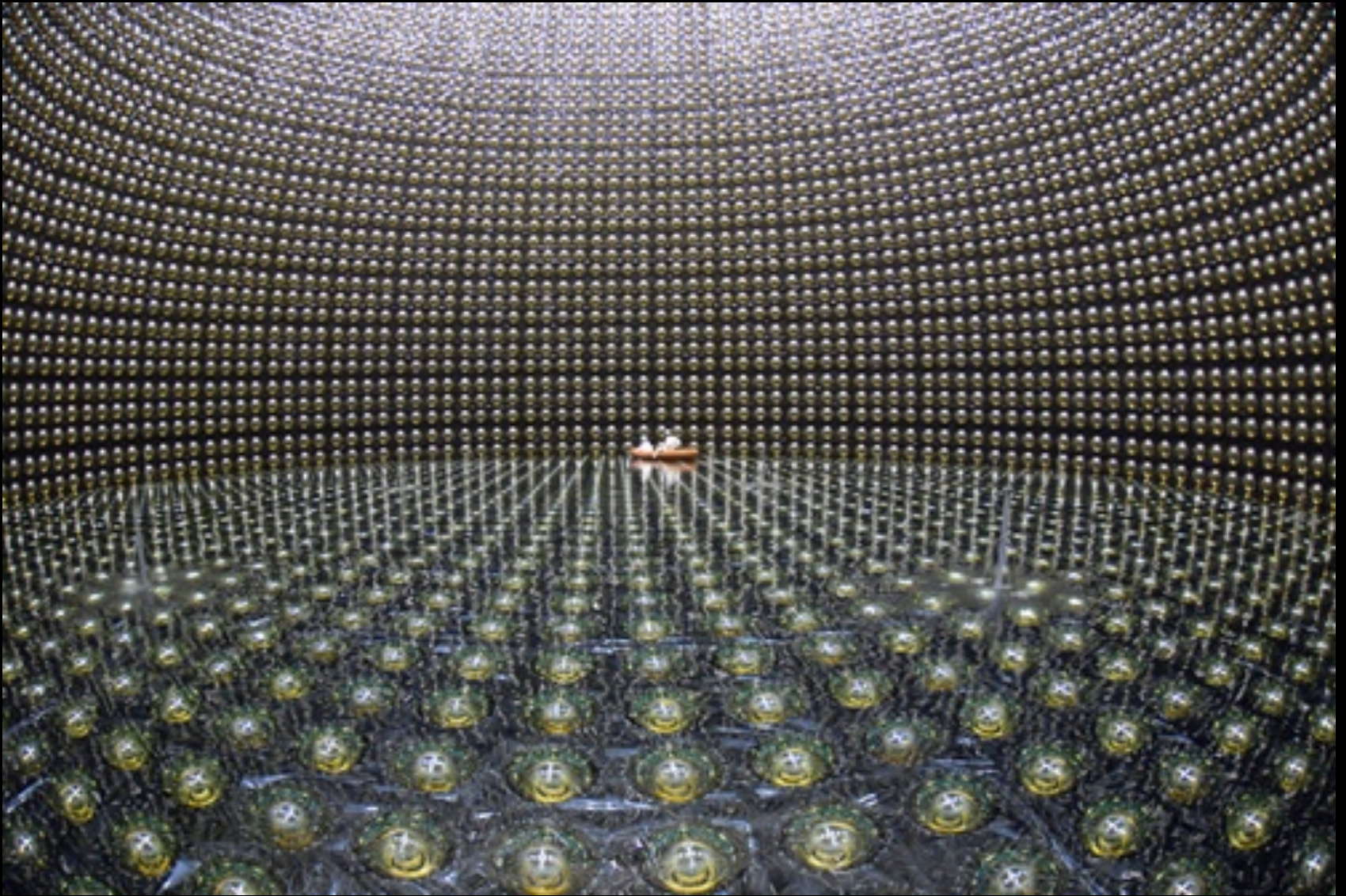
$$V=1 \text{ m}^3$$

$$L=1.6 \text{ m}$$

$$D=0.9 \text{ cm}$$

$$L=160 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Phi=90 \text{ cm}$$



thank you